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THROUGH THE YEAR 1980 - 81

A Rebel Remembers RHS Years

by Scott Cullen

Officially, we became students of Rockbridge High School on Aug. 26, 1977, but we were part of the school long before that. We were the "punks" and "little people" who were always underfoot at basketball games and who always stayed in the lighted doorways at dances, afraid to venture out onto the floor.

Then, on that fateful day in August, we became official and we began to carve our permanent mark on the school. We were benchwarmers, both academically and athletically, with a whole lot to learn. But, we made our presence felt.

We learned to pull together and were proud when our first major accomplishment, our homecoming float, rolled onto the field. Our homecoming princess that year was Berta Hart, escorted by Jimmy Clemmer.

We made it through, and 109 of us were still around to begin our sophomore year. We elected class officers: Scott Cullen, president; John Burch, vice president; and Sandi Jarvis, secretary. Under the guidance of our sponsors, we staged one of the most successful dances in the school's history, Sadie Hawkins 1978. In athletics, the girls track team went undefeated for the second year in a row, its backbone formed by nine sophomores. Berta Hart again represented us at homecoming.

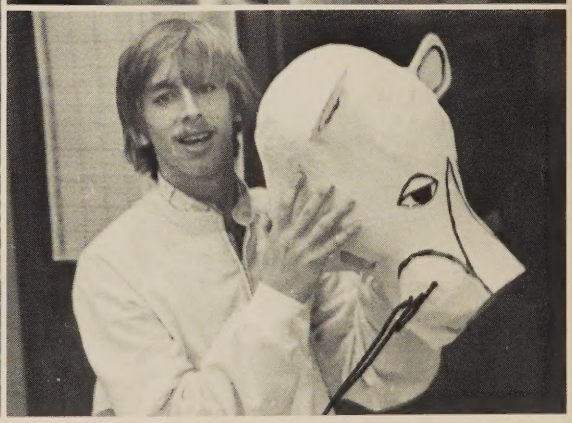
Then came our junior year, and our biggest test yet, the prom. With president Sandi Jarvis, vice president Missy Fulwider and secretary Kim McCray providing the driving force, we began planning for the prom in the fall. Barbara Glatt occupied the junior's spot on the homecoming court and our spirit ran high. We ordered our long awaited rings in December, and in February we started to work.

We decided to construct our own decorations and the theme "Come Sail Away" was chosen. We constructed a giant canopy to provide a ceiling and Mr. William Chambers and Jimmy Clemmer directed the building of the walls.

On May 10, 1980, seniors, juniors and their dates stepped aboard a cruise ship in the gym, the "Kays" struck up the beat and prom 1980 was under way. By the time it drew to a close, our pride in ourselves and what we could do had grown tenfold.

Officers chosen for the senior class of 1981 are Terri Staton, president; Scott Cullen, vice president; and Michelle Carter, secretary. We've sold candy bars and collected dues in order to pay for our big moment, and on June 5, 1981, the planning will be complete, and our dreams will be realized when Mr. Frank Polakiewicz announces to the world that we are graduates.

Our deep appreciation to the faculty, staff and students of Rockbridge High School who played a part in the establishment of a legacy — the class of 1981.



Homecoming 1980-1981 King: Jimmy Clemmer Queen: Terri Staton

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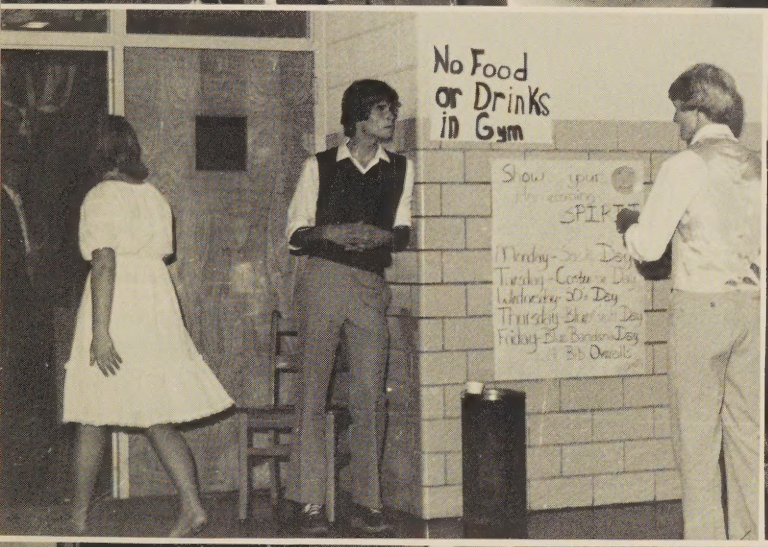
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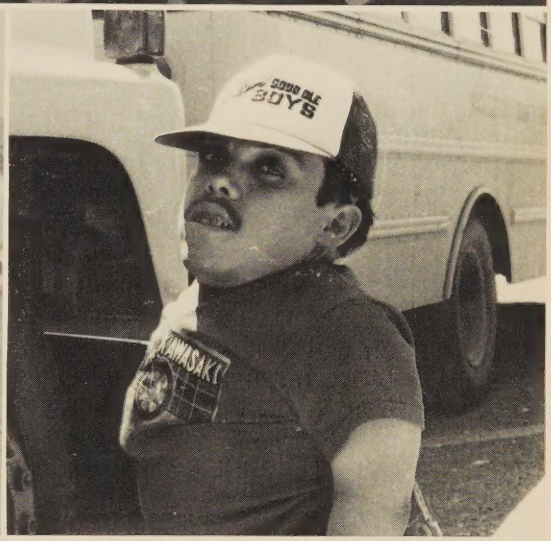
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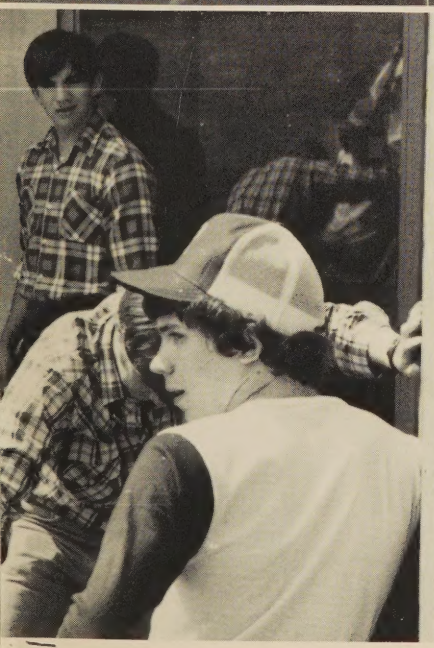


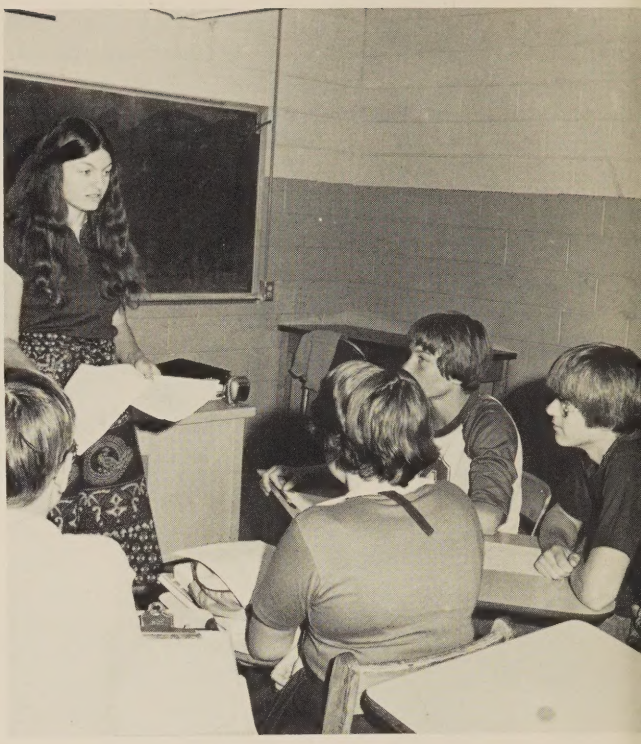
Rebel Pride

We, the staff of the 1980-1981 Rebel leave with you, in this book, the memories of unforgetable activities and agonizing losses, but most of all with those memories of those numerous success at RHS. Though relatively small in number, each of us is big in pride when it comes to our school.

We have survived an isolated location, and the lack of some of the recognition we deserve from the rest of this area only to come back stronger and more determined than ever before. Rebels take pride readily in themselves. We are all proud to admit this! We are proud of our individual accomplishments, the continuous activity and success which is a part of many of our clubs and organizations, recent triumphs in the area of sports for our athletic teams, pride in community service, and ultimately pride in our own school.

Yes, Rebel Pride flourishes at RHS! All Rebels have at least one reason, and most likely have many more to hold their heads high and look forward with much anticipation to all the future proud years for Rockbridge High School and it's students.

Yes, oh yes, Rebels We Are!!!

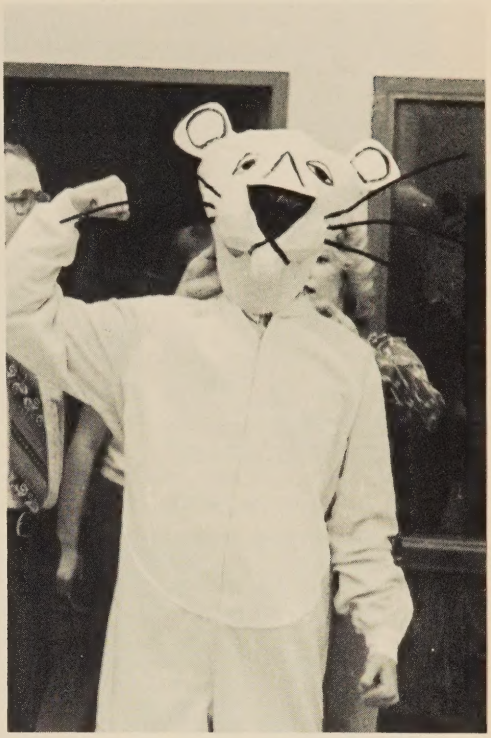


Molly Messimer gives talent search pointers.

The Boy Scouts must be on sale again.

Tim Whitesell (center) RHS '81 representative to Governor's School.

1981 Rock-A-Thon



Need we say more for Rebel Pride

John Maass's essay wins in Mental Health Week

Right — Jimmy Clemmer takes part in Vocational Education Week.

Homecoming 1980

This year's Homecoming was a real, old-fashioned display of that good old Rebel Spirit. With the parade of numerous, festive floats and automobiles, Homecoming 1980 was the most successful and spectacular extravaganza in years.

The highlight of the fall was attended by many true Rebel backers of the community and was enjoyed by all. A "spirit line" was formed by the Rebel cheerleaders and loyal fans to pep their football team to their first victory of 1980. As the band played "Victors", the mighty Rebels took the field in quest of taking the traditional Homecoming game this year against the Bath County Chargers.

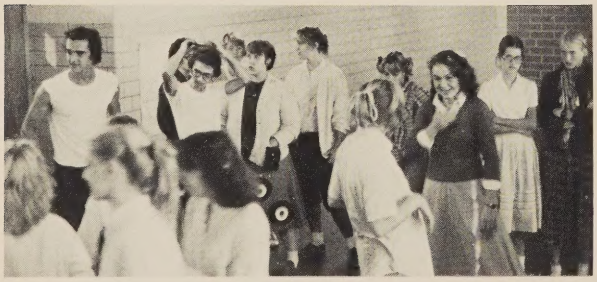
The five Princesses for Homecoming 1980 were; Sandi Jarvis, escorted by Mike Wilmore; Berta Hart, escorted by Jimmy Clark; Sherri Steele, escorted by Doug Mayo; and Kim McCray, escorted by Scott Cullen. Terry Staton was chosen by the student body to be the Homecoming Queen. Her proud escort was Jimmy Clemmer.

To cap the excitement of these activities at halftime, the Rebels were victors of the game, sending Bath County home in disgrace. As a result, the pride and spirit of RHS soared, and Homecoming 1980 was a complete success.

The winners of Hat Day at RHS

Another day, another dollar

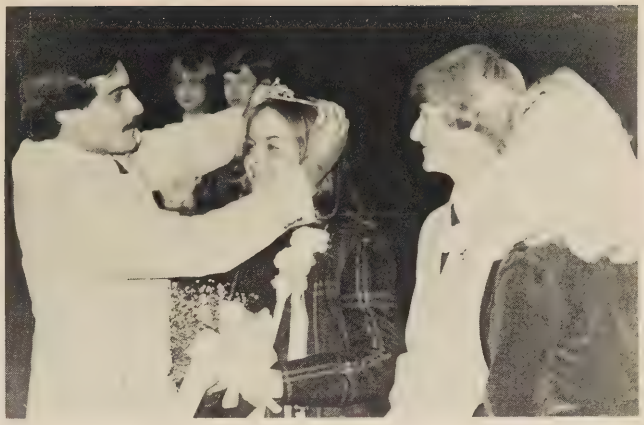
Leave me alone, little girl!!!



Gossiping at a time like this!

This has been a LONG day!!

Kim, just what are you thinking about?!?



Gee, Terry . . . the crown just won't fit!

Well, this is it!

Homecoming Dance, 1980

Are you having fun?

Oh, Harry! I didn't know!?!!

Dances for all Seasons

No snow was falling, not a HO HO HO was heard and it felt like a warm summer evening instead of a cold winter night. But the Seniors overcame these obstacles and on December 20, Nightlife from Staunton kicked off Christmas Dance, 1980. A Christmas tree in the center of the gym provided atmosphere for the dancers, and the mellow music of the band kept everyone swaying to the music. As all good things come to as end, so did this, and the Christmas Dance of 1980 became a sweet dream.

February 14, the day when both young and old alike show their emotions for each other, also brings about another event in the minds of students. As Valentine's Day fell on a Saturday this year, it was the perfect setting for a dance. The Sophomore class gave us one to be remembered, as couples danced their heart out to the music of Denver's Disco. The crowning of the royal couple, Randy Chittum and Patti MacGregor, added to the evening's festivities. Gorgeous decorations and good food rounded out the fun, making the Sweethearts Dance of 1981 truly a night to be remembered.

We tried as hard as we could to forget it!

Renee, who are you dancing with?

Gary gets down!

Why did I ever come here?

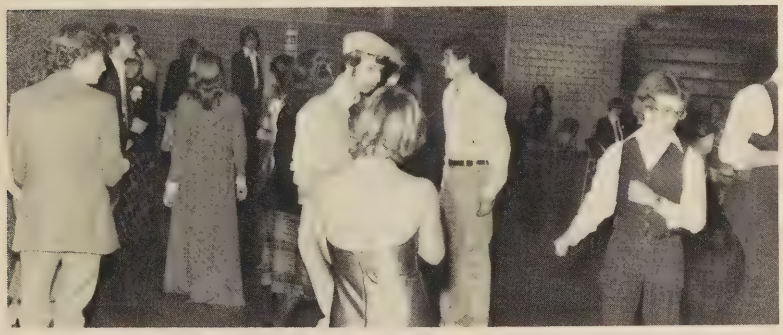
Missy, What's the secret for having a great time while everyone else is bored?

Jenny seems to have her eyes on another man.

Hugh and John seem to be having a great time!

The Sounds of "Night Life" Prompted couples to fill the floor.

Why isn't anyone dancing?



Tamela . . . what did you say you dropped?

"Hush, Holly! Somebody's listening!"

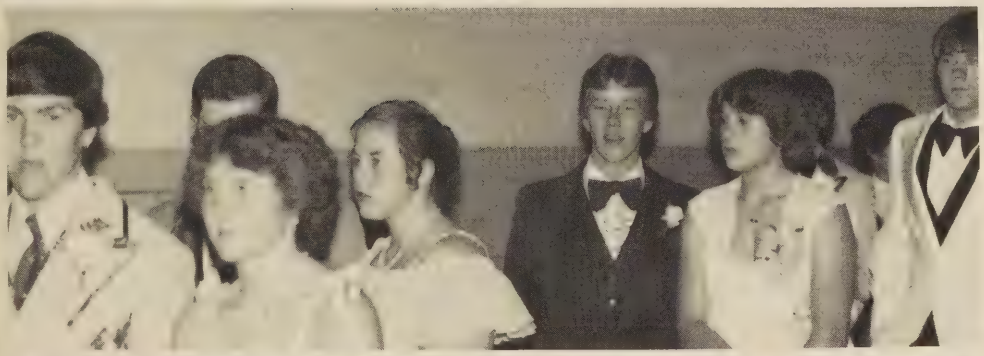
Members of the Class of '81 enjoy their last Christmas Dance as Seniors.

Prom

It was one of those perfect nights that come very seldom in a lifetime. The Juniors spent many long hours preparing for it. Seniors waited anxiously to see if Prom 1980 could be bested. They weren't to be disappointed.

On May 23, 1981, Seniors and Juniors arrived and entered through the back door of the gym. They walked up a stairwell festooned with clouds and stars. Upon arriving at the top of the stairs, they were met by Sophomores disguised as angels, and Seniors were given their favors. Strange floating aparations drifted by and one wondered if they were indeed in heaven. The band, Top Flight, launched into song and Prom 1981, "Stairway to Heaven" was under way.

Stars and clouds decorated the walls, and dancers decorated the floor under the canopy. The perfect evening lasted for four hours, and when everyone drifted away to parties and friends, they spoke of this Prom as being one of the best yet at Rockbridge.



Graduation

Rain forced Graduation indoors this year, but that didn't dampen Senior spirits one bit. They had been waiting for this moment for twelve long years. The band played the traditional "Pomp and Circumstance" and the candidates marched in proudly. They were treated to words of wisdom and inspiration from Co-Valedictorian, Patti MacGregor and Chaplain Charles Caudill. Sandi Jarvis sang "Out Here On My Own" and brought tears to everyone's eyes. The seniors marched out to "Never Walk Alone" and each said their final "Goodbys" to their classmates and friends.

REBELS
Jimmy

Looks Like We Made It!

Late in August, the class of 1981 returned to Rockbridge High School for their last year. Never again would they be looked down upon as "punks", but they would now be looked up to and admired. With their climb to the top they had earned the privileges of going to lunch five minutes early, being called to assemblies last to march in, and the respect of all the underclassmen.

With the start of a new year, the routine of electing officers began. The Class of '81 elected Terry Staton as president, Scott Cullen as vice-president, and Michelle Carter as secretary-treasurer.

The next task for the Seniors was a money raising project to make money for future events. Funds were raised for the Christmas Dance and the Senior Banquet, but the main goal was to be able to afford GRADUATION. The traditional candy sale was instigated and Seniors began carrying little white bags trading underclassmen lunch money for junk food. The Christmas Dance, along with other "sock-hops", helped add to the Senior treasury.

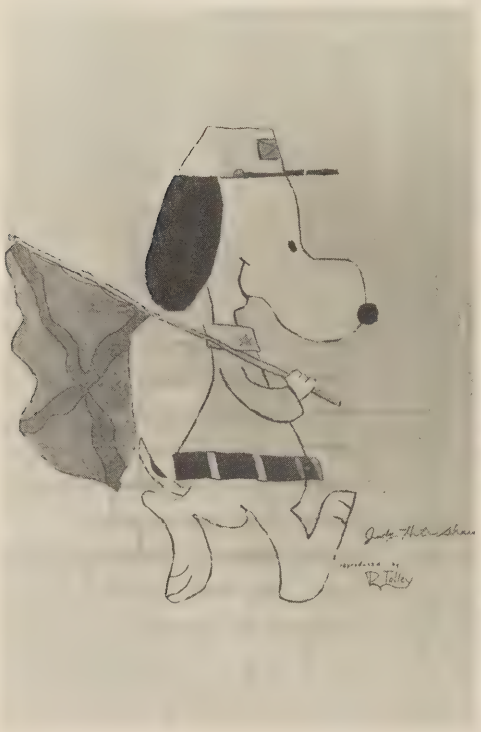
In spite of the bustle of activity, time was taken to prepare for Homecoming. Terry Staton came away with the title of Homecoming Queen for 1980.

Later in the year Seniors began to realize that they had actually reached the top; in jubilation they came away from several pep rallies waving the Spirit Stick and shouting "We Are the Best!".

As spring grew near the dream of graduation became a reality. Those expensive caps and gowns and announcements were ordered. Committees were formed and seating charts were arranged. Everyone began to worry and hope that everything would run smoothly.

Seniors also realized that soon they would be out on their own and were constantly bombarded with questions. Are you going to college? Where? Have you sent your application? Are you going to get a job? Just what *are* you going to do with your life? Decisions, decisions. But they had to be made. A Career Day was held, and colleges from several states were represented to help students decide exactly which road in life they would take.

Graduation *finally* arrived and the Class of '81 was ready to go out into the world. They felt confident of the future. They had finally made it.



Scott Cullen, Vice-President; Michelle Carter, Secretary/Treasurer; Terry Staton, President of the Class of '81.

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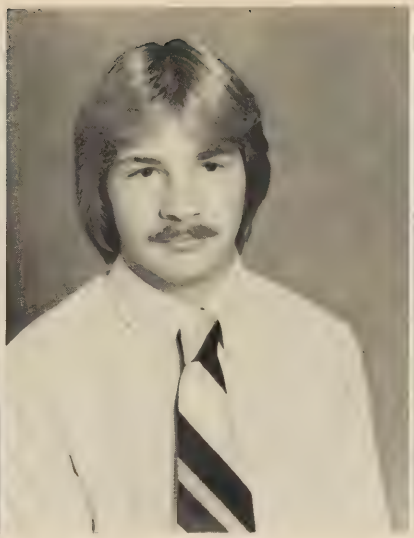
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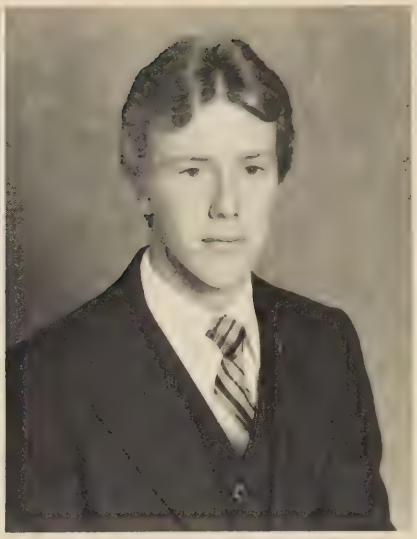
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Ann Buchanan

Michelle Carter

Randy Chittum

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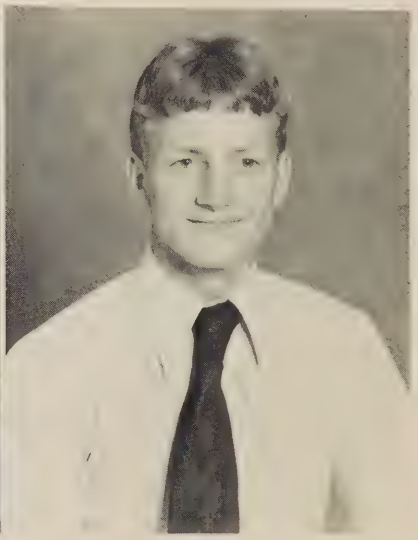
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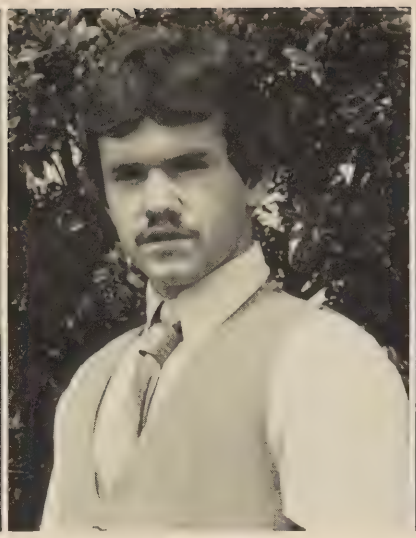
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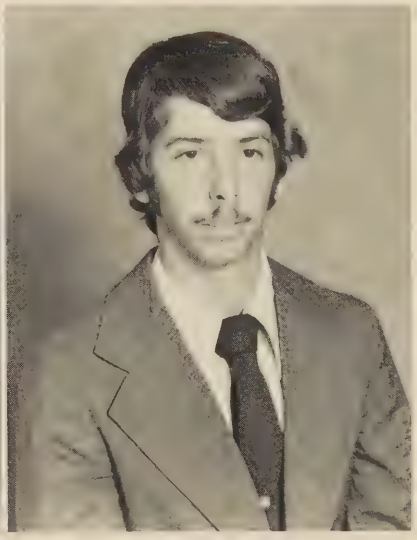
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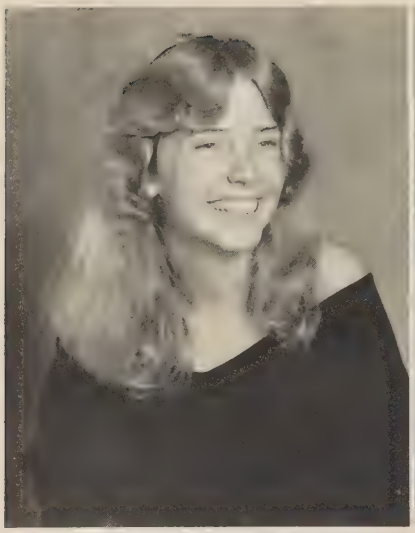
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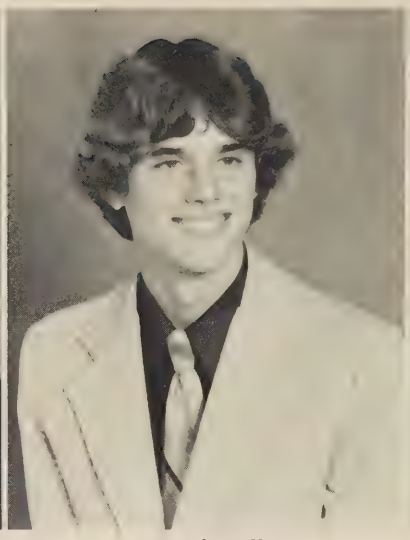
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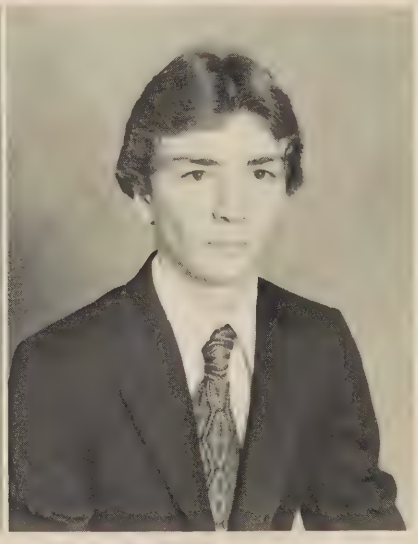
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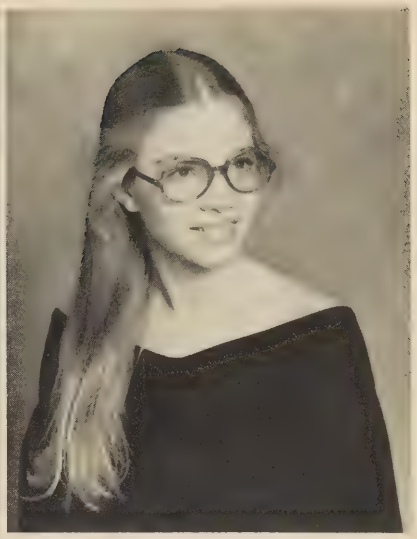
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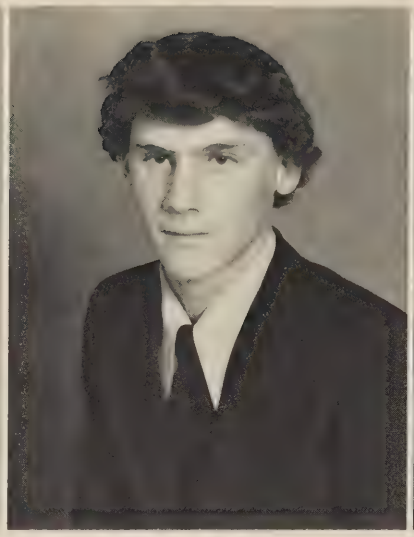
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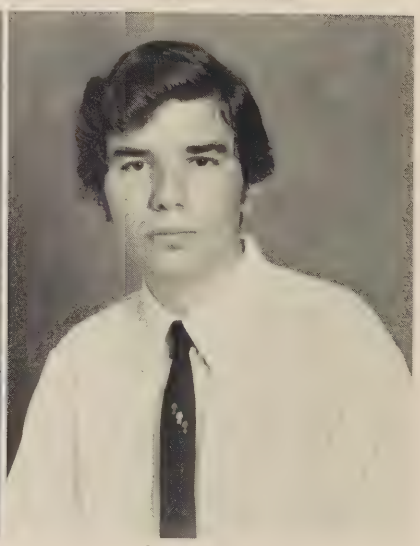
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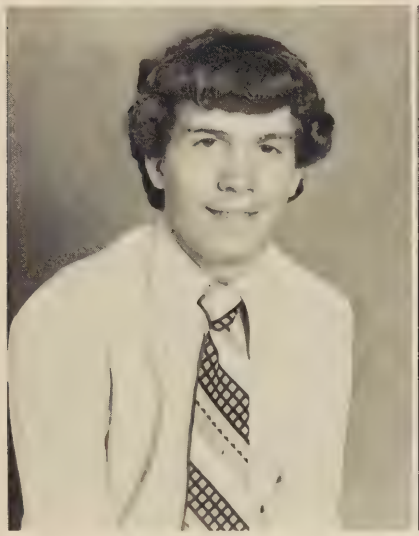
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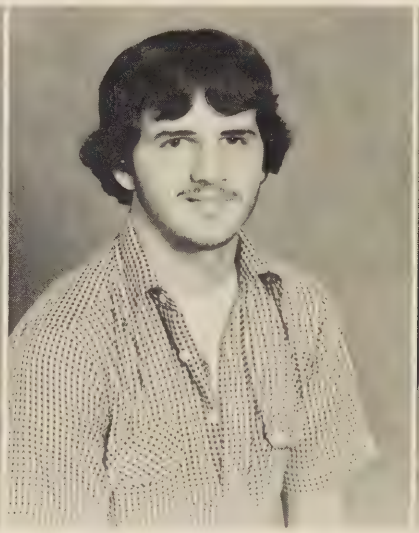
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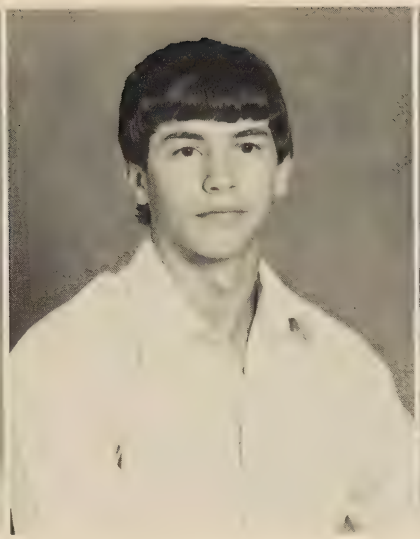
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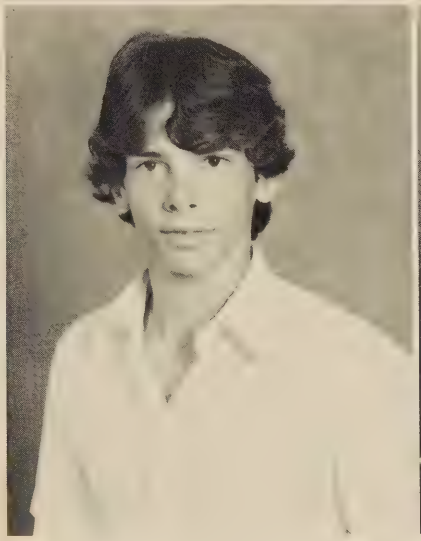
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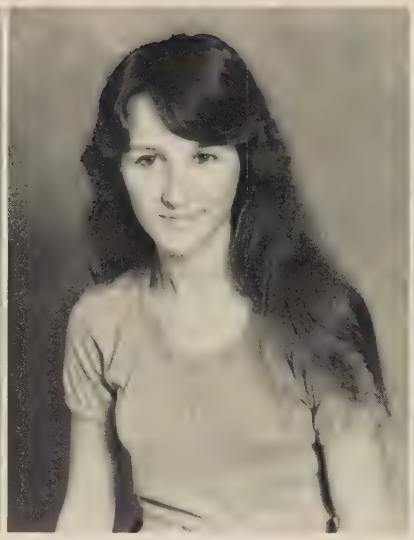
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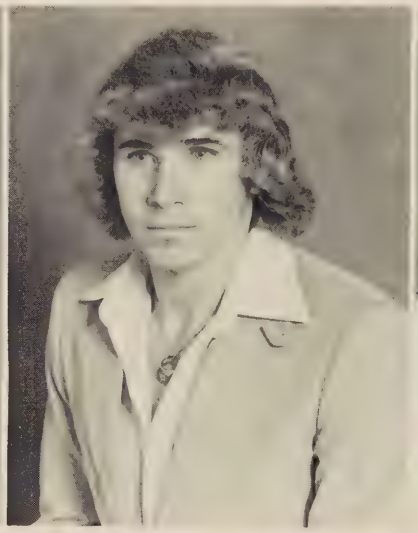
Joey Sampson

Doug Stevenson

David Stuart

Brenda Stuples

Mike Trimble

Delano Lewis Jack, Jr.

Yes, Meda, what senior memories are made of . . .

The Rockbridge Rebels; Class of 1981

Junior Ups and Downs

"It's great being a Junior!!" (Sometimes) This was a popular saying of the Class of '82. It was nice to finally be considered an upper-classman; sitting near the front for assemblies and receiving the long awaited class rings.

Receiving our rings was great, but we also had to realize that Spring and the Prom were just weeks away. Deciding the date, trying to arrive at a conclusion as to what decorations to use, and how to make sure that the Prom of 1981 was a success crowded the minds of every hard working Junior.

Junior girls playing basketball included Tami Staton, Sarah Dunlap and Natalie Page. These girls helped the team have a very successful year and continue after the regular season of play into the sub-regional play-offs.

Fall sports also included Junior boys. Players like Corey Cox, Stan Troxell, Bobby Guthrie, Robert Pooley, Kenny Hartless, Paul Mays and Jody Clevenger rounded out the small Rebel squad. Our Homecoming victory was made even better by the appearance of our Homecoming princess, Natalie Page. She was escorted by Tim Whitesell.

December brought the start of the basketball season. Junior players Harry Moore, Randy Plogger and Bobby Guthrie did a good job for the Rebel effort. Along with boys basketball, volleyball started in December. Three Junior girls, Carole Nelson, Natalie Page and Cindy Moore made the team. They had a terrific season, being the first volleyball team in the history of Rockbridge to win the Regional title.

Although the Prom was probably foremost in most minds of Juniors in the spring, some Juniors found the time to play baseball. These were Corey Cox, Ronnie Weeks, Stacy Taylor, John Shields and Vincent Clements. Boys and girls track were also well represented by the Junior class. A lot of sweat was shed, and a lot of victories were tacked up.

Some of the people that hold a team together are the cheerleaders. Gail Heslep, Junie Funkhouser and Tammy Camper cheered their fellow Juniors, and the whole school, onto rousing victories and consoled them in defeat.

The junior year for the Class of '81 was one of their most tiring, but above all, exciting of their life as Rebels.

Every President's campaign rule!

Junior Class Officers hard at work.
Tim Whitesell, President; Penny Plogger, Vice-President; Tammy Sensabaugh, Secretary; Rebecca Riley, Treasurer.

Ann Ayers
Dorthea Bingler
Lisa Breedlove
Barbara Brown
Thomas Burke
Robert Bryant

Tammy Camper
Kenneth Chandler
Frances Chittum
Tammy Chittum
Fay Clark
Teresa Clark

Darlene Clements
Vincent Clements
Joseph Clevenger
Corey Cox
Matt Davidson
George Dickerson

Diana Driver
Rema Dudley
Sara Dunlap

Rhonda Falls
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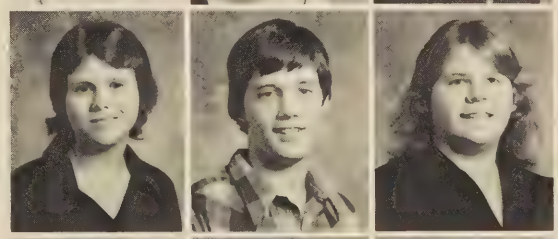
Junie Funkhouser



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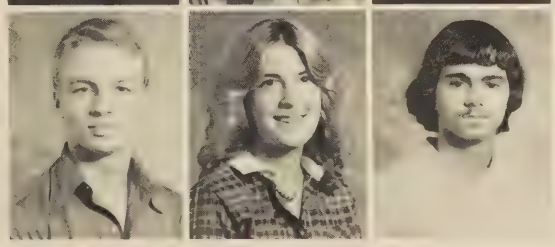

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Carl Hostetter

Bring on the Juniors!

Marla Hostetter
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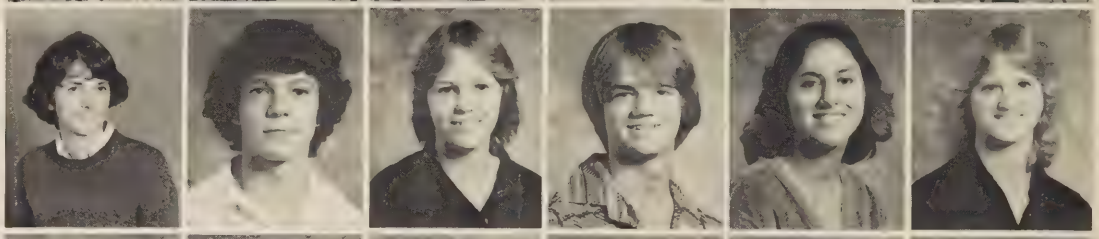

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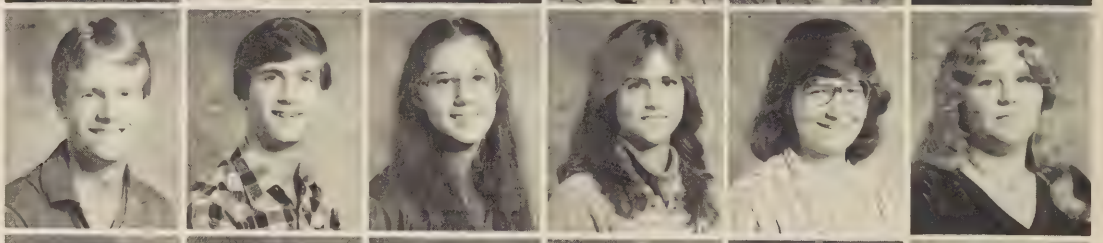

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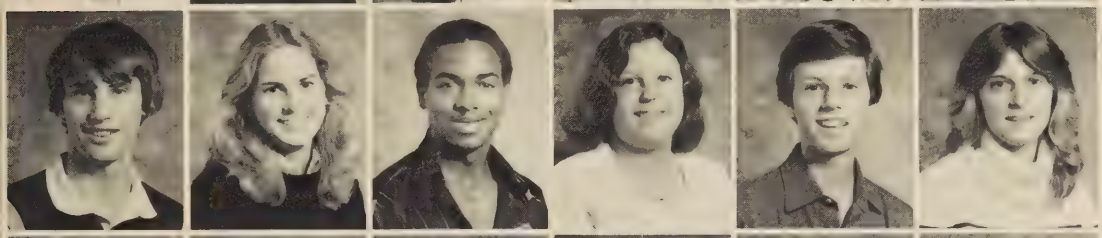

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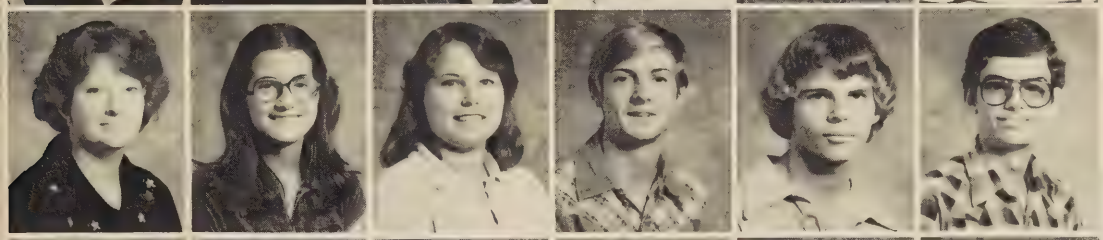

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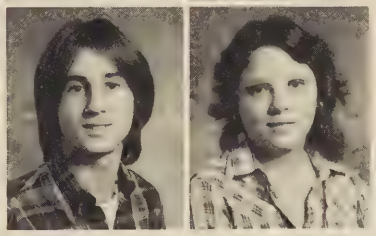


Ken Wood
Tammy Wood Gentry

See no evil, speak no evil, hear no evil — Tell us another story Carole.

We Wise Fools

The Class of '83 returned in September with high hopes for a successful sophomore year. The first money raising project was a drawing for $50 worth of gasoline which was held in October. This project raised over $100.

Sophomores were active in both football and girl's basketball in the Fall of 1980. The Marching Band also consisted of many sophomores.

The year rolled on and Homecoming was upon us. The sophomore class designed a float in Sara Kemp's barn. It depicted the theme of an "Old Fashioned Homecoming." Patricia Fox represented the class as princess and was escorted by Greg Lunsford.

In December eight sophomores were inducted into the National Honor Society. They were chosen for their academic achievement, citizenship, and involvement in school activities.

Sophomores played a big role in winter sports such as basketball and volleyball. Two sophomores, Jill Sorrells and Angel Poole, left their mark in the district by being selected as two out of three volleyball players from Rockbridge to make the All-District Team.

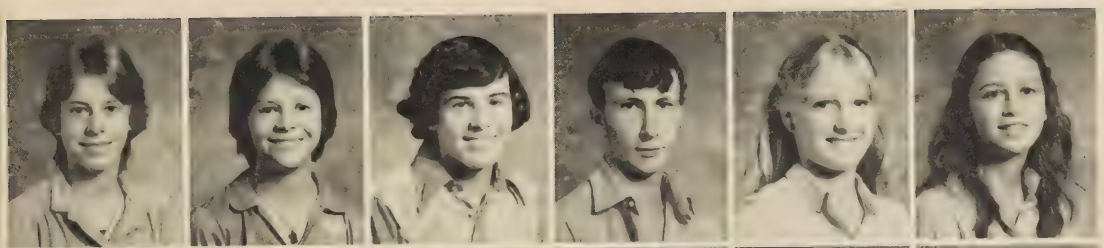
They sponsored their first formal dance on February 14, "The Sweetheart's Dance." Sophomores worked all day on Saturday to fill the gym with streamers, balloons, and valentines of all kinds.

Sophomores began training for spring sports in February. Track, tennis, or baseball filled the season of some sophomores. Five sophomores helped to cheer the Rebel basketball and football teams.

By the end of April the Class of '83 had over $1,000 in their account. Additional funds came from a yard sale in May. The spirit and cooperation of the Class of '83 and their sponsors helped to make a year full of memories and accomplishments.

Mike Bowen nails Tommy Lackey to the sophomore class float as Jennie Cornish and Cindy Clark give instructions.

Sophomore Class Officers; Mike Bowen, President; Beth Henry, Secretary; Angel Poole, Treasure.



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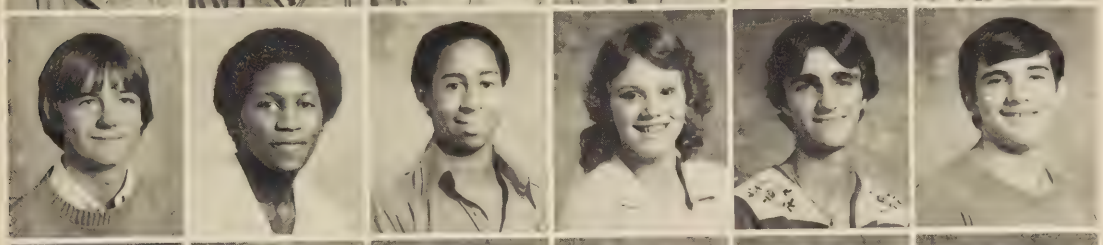

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Lisa Bryant
Timothy Buchanan
David Burke

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Theresa Clark
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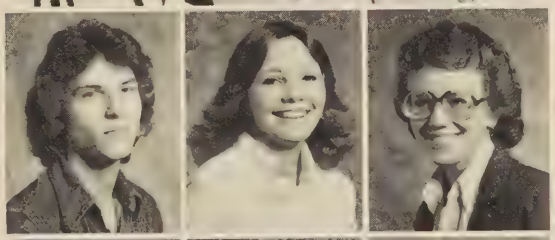
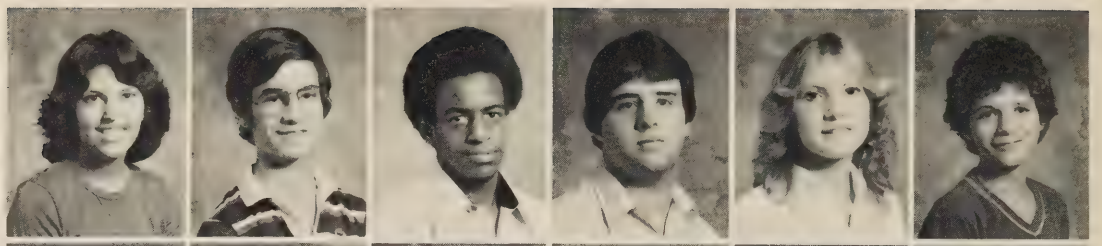


Morris Clffey
Caroline Conner
Jennie Cornish

Lisa Cullen
John Davis
Lynn Dawson

Mr. Mitchell — maybe you better use a chair next time!

Miriam Drawbond
Geoffrey Duke
Darrell Eldridge
Randall Floyd
Patricia Fox
Lee Frazier



John Flesh
Sterling Gay
Jennifer Gentry
David Hall
John Hart
Terry Hart

Timmy Hartless
Susan Hays
Beth Henry
Carl Higgins
Clifford Higgins
Janice Hill

Bettina Hollandsworth
Edward Hostetter
Mike Jolly
Darrell Justice
Sara Kemp
Carol King

Tommy Lackey

David Lavender

John Davis, Darrell Eldridge and Carl Hostetter support Linda Biggs and Jennie Cornish. Lisa Bryant stands by.

Lisa Lawhorn
Charles Ledford
Patricia Ledford
Sandra Lilly
Greg Lunsford
Edward Maass

John Maass
Thomas McNeil
Raymond Mynes
Connie Newcomer
Sharon Newcomer
Brenda Petty

Melissa Plogger
Paula Plogger
Christina Poff
Angela Poole
Darron Potter
David Pultz

Sharon Reid
Stella Reid
Kimberly Richie
Corinna Riley
Margaret Robertson
Jeffrey Sensabaugh

Teresa Sensabaugh
Amy Snider
Jill Sorrells
Jeanette Stevenson
Judy Stevenson
Dianna Swink

Dawn Thompson
Kim Thompson
Sharon Tolbert
Darrell Tomlin
David Tomlin
Kay Tomlin

Mike Troxell
Sandra Wood
Renee Whiting
David Wilhelm
Roger Wilson

Freshmen Class

The freshmen class opened their future years at Rockbridge High with a good start. With the help of our class sponsors; Mr. Chambers, Mr. Mace, Mr. McCray, Mrs. MacGregor, Mrs. Trimble, Mrs. Zdinak and Mrs. Jones, we started the year off with class elections. The newly elected officers were Andrew Logan — President, Alice Cline — Vice President, and Karen Burch — Secretary/Treasurer. In pep rallies and dances the freshman showed their spirit in many ways. We also elected our Homecoming representative, she was Karen Burch and was escorted by Clay Burch. We also elected our representative for the Christmas Court: she was Alice Cline escorted by Bobby Clemmer. The freshmen class also had a variety of fund raising projects. We had two cake walks, a gas raffle, a giant coloring-book sale. Along with our fund raising projects and our class dues we were able to reach over $700.00. We are very proud to be Rebels and are looking forward to our future at Rockbridge High School, Home of the "Rebels". We would like to extend to next years freshmen all the good luck possible!

Freshman Class Officers, Karen Burck, Secretary/Treasurer; Alice Cline, Vice-President; and Andrew Logan, President.

Patricia Alderman
Tate Anderson
Tom Bare
Mary Biggs
John Bolen
Kenneth Boywer

Beckey Brown
Roland Brown
Chris Bryant
Clay Burch
Karen Burch
Lisa Burke

Debbie Campbell
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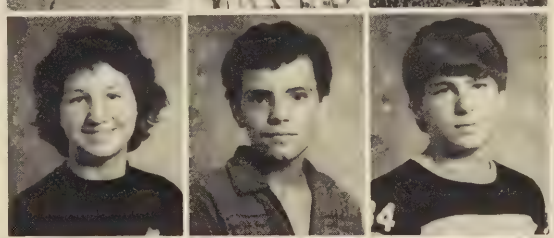
Danny Clark

Liz Clark
Ronald Clark
Sharon Clark



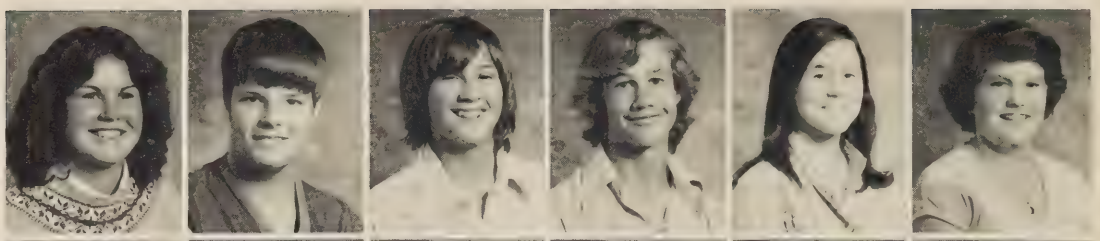
Susan Clark
Kevin Clark
Shelby Clements

Bobby Clemmer
Alice Cline
Chris Coleman

J.P. Corbin
Kim Dedrick
Cheryl Doyle

The humble beginnings of Mr. Liskey's greenhouse.

Susan Eakin
Eddie Edwards
David Fitzgerald
Stuart Fitzgerald
Cheryl Garber
Kate Goodman



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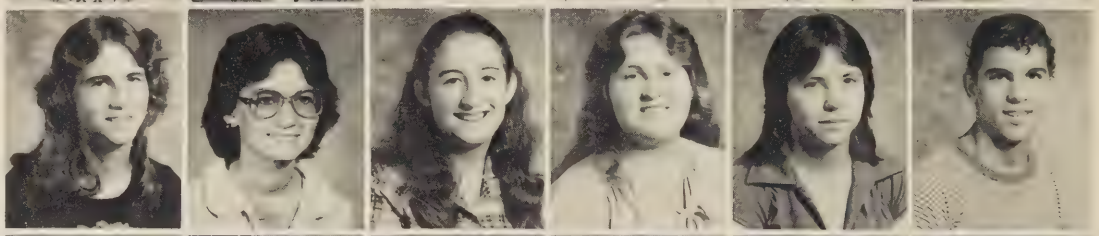
Anna Hall
Christine Hart
Jackie Hartless
Jeff Hartless



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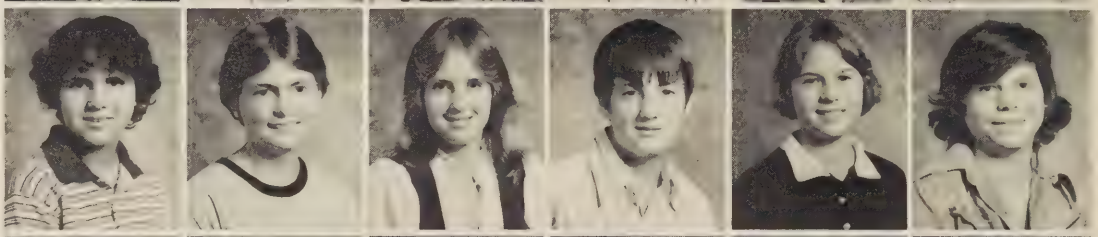
Andrew Hite
Angie Hockman
Grover Hostetter



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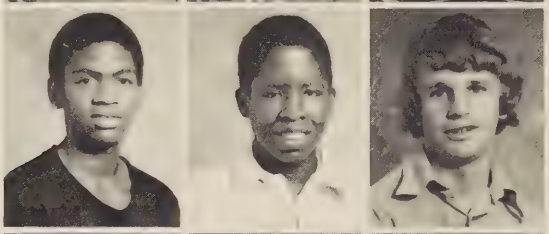


Paula Layton
Danny Ledford
Dennis Lilly

Andrew Logan
Joey Lynn

Who ever said *contract* is a math word?! It is at RHS.

Eric Mason
Jeff Mason
Jeff Matteson
Julie Mays
Karen McDonald
John David McCray

Sandra Mikels
Judy A. Moore
Judy L. Moore
Danny Moore
Candy Nuckols
Roger Nunnally

Mike Paxton
Tracy Peters
Carolyn Potter
Jeff Reid
Keston Richie
Dawn Rowsey

Shawn Rowsey
Connie Sensabaugh
Carlene Shull
Stephanie Sibold
Greg Smith
Nick Smith

John Snarr
Joanne Sprouse
Sam Sprouse
R.L. Staton
Holly Steele
Danny Steelman

Carolyn Sweet
Dennis Taylor
Tony Teague
Brenda Thornburg
Dennis Thorne
Donald Thorne

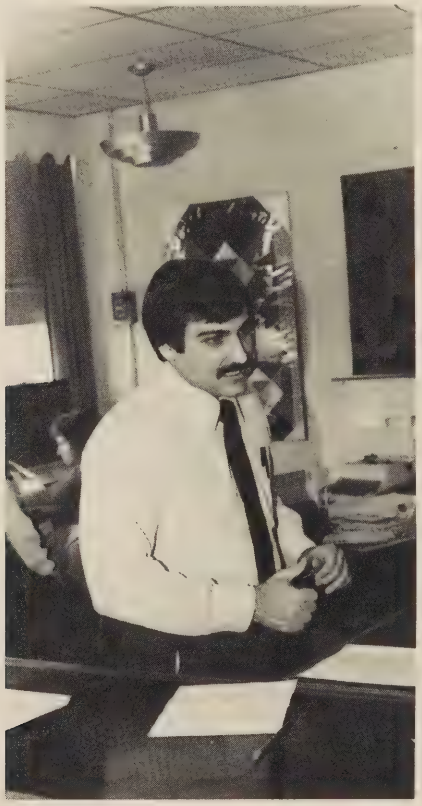
Mike Tolley
Melanie Walker
Debbie Whitten
Timmy Whitten
Kim Williams
Jesse Wood

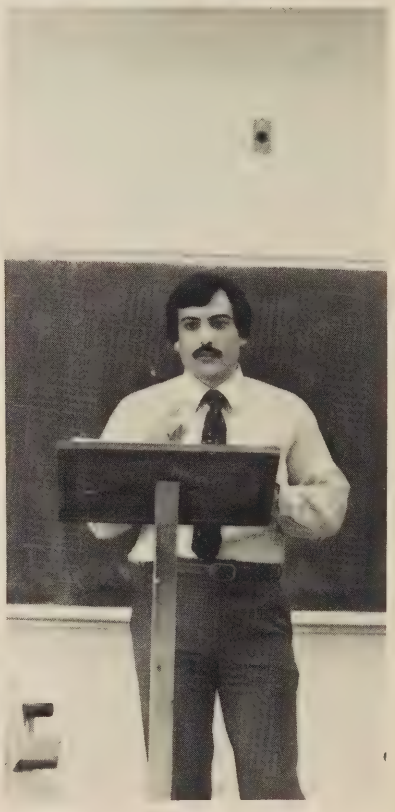
Mr. Polakiewicz

Mr. Polakiewicz had two main instructional objectives for the school year. One was to incorporate the television into the classroom instructional program. Classes were set up to educate teachers on the fundamentals of how television could be used effectively in classroom instruction. Several teachers enthusiastically used the television in their daily classroom activities.

The second objective was to expand the Study Skills program for the ninth grade. Through the expanded program, students were taught how to take better notes, prepare better outlines, and become better listeners.

The biggest need for the school, in the opinion of Mr. Polakiewicz, is to expand the school's role in the community and to have the community take a more active part in school life. This is one of the most important facets in the making of a pleasant school atmosphere.





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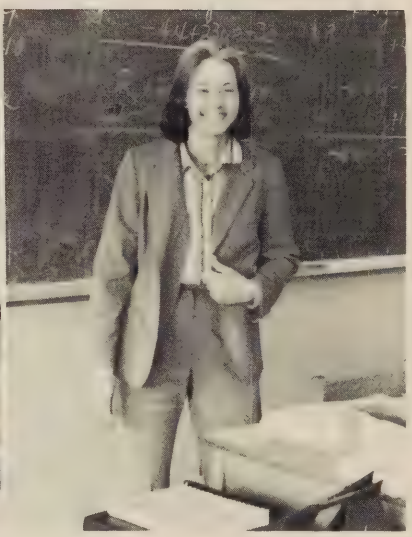
HOME

George Sadler

Vic Spotts, Ron Loy

Bill Weimer

Mickey Chambers



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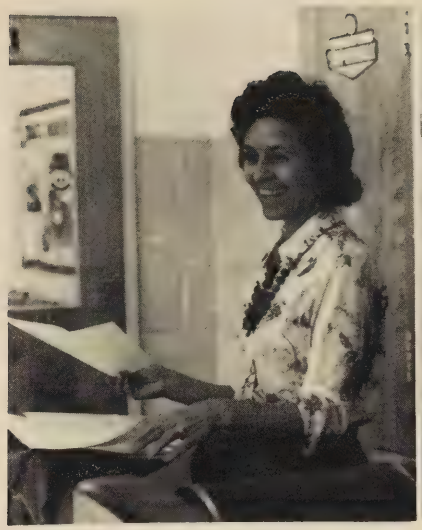

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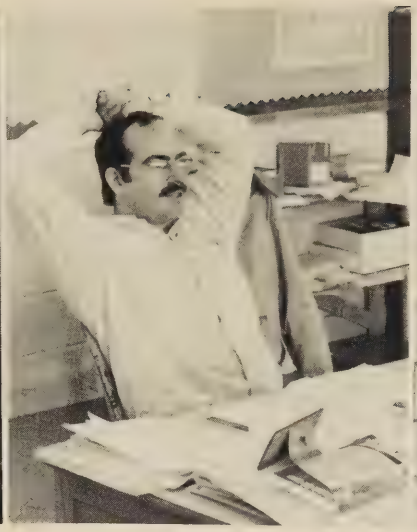

Gary Cuccio

Mac McCray

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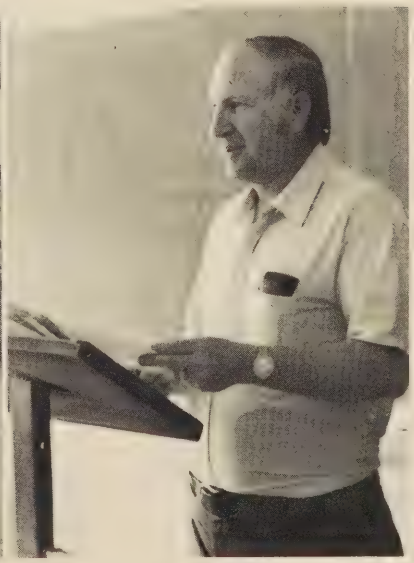
Barbara Meyers

Patricia McManus



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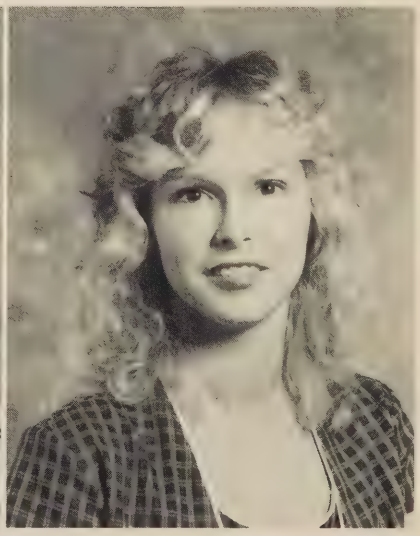

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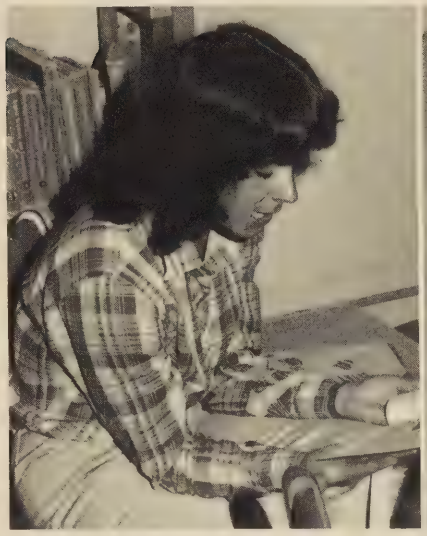


Barbara Burns

Ginny Biggs

Virginia Anne Clemmer

Terry VanName and Shane

Karen Goff

Super Seniors

CLASS CLOWN
Penny Clark
Elvert Minor

CUTEST SMILE
Barbara Glatt
Doug Mayo

BIGGEST GRUMP
Missy Fulwider
Stuart Bishop

BOLDEST
Cathy Pennington
Junior Jack

SHIEST
Wanda Lilly
Kevin Ham

MOST SPIRITED
Linda Wilhelm
Gary Higginbotham

BIGGEST FLIRTS
Tamela Clements
Joey Sampson

FRIENDLIEST
Regina Tomlin
Richard Grant

SMARTEST
Michelle Carter
Scott Cullen

BEST DRESSED
Kim McCray
Darren Floyd

BEST LOOKING
Berta Hart
Tony Taylor

BEST ALL AROUND
Cathy Pennington
Darren Floyd

MOST CONSIDERATE
Lisa Wilhelm
Scott Cullen

MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED
Michelle Carter
Jimmy Clemmer

BEST PHYSIQUE
Terri Staton
Darren Floyd

CRAZIEST LAUGH
Lorretta Sorrells
Richard Grant

FUNNIEST
B.J. Brown
Elvert Minor

CUTEST COUPLE
Lisa Wilhelm
Junior Jack

MOST POPULAR
Cathy Pennington
Darren Floyd

MOUTHIEST
Penny Clark
Elvert Minor

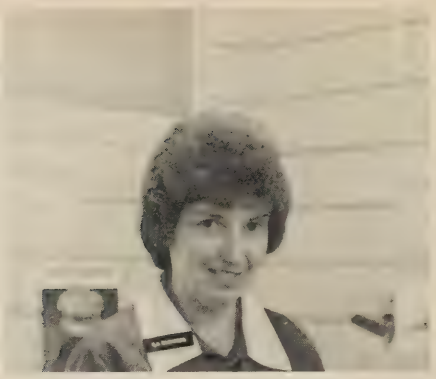
MOST MUSICALLY TALENTED
Lisa Lawhorne
Mark Hill

MOST ARTISTICALLY TALENTED
Meda Bosserman
Jimmy Clemmer

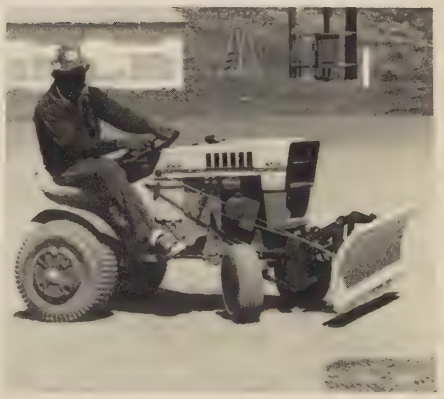
ELVERT MINOR is considered to be the wildest and craziest member of the CLASS OF 1981.

The Support Staff

Cafeteria Workers — Left to Right — Mrs. Dedrick, Mrs. Wines, Mrs. Matheny



Mrs. Buchanan



Sylvestor Alexander

Student Office Aides Front — Mike Wilmore, Sherri Steele, Sharon Reid, Tammy Camper, Sheila Reid, Back — Francis Chittum, Carole Nelson, Beth Johnson, Natalie Page, Kathy Johnson, Tami Poole

Bus Drivers — Chris Fauber, Linda Eggleston, Larry Heslep, John Brown, Henry Nunnally, Martha Blalock

Bus Drivers — Dot Martin, Howard Pleasants, Edith Perry, Randall Wade

John Branham

ROCKBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL
Rebels
"Coke and a SMILE"
HOME
GUEST
DOWN
TO GO

1981 Athletes of the Year

Rockbridge Director of Athletics, William Weimer, congratulates Jimmy Clemmer and Patti MacGregor on their being named Senior Athletes of the Year at Rockbridge's All Sports Banquet.

Varsity Football 1981

Once again, as football practice began, the football players were greeted by the sun's hot weather, long hours, and hard work. Practice started at 4 p.m. and ended at 9 p.m. during the two weeks before the start of the 1980-1981 school year. For the next several weeks practice was really tough, but the players were determined to do their very best.

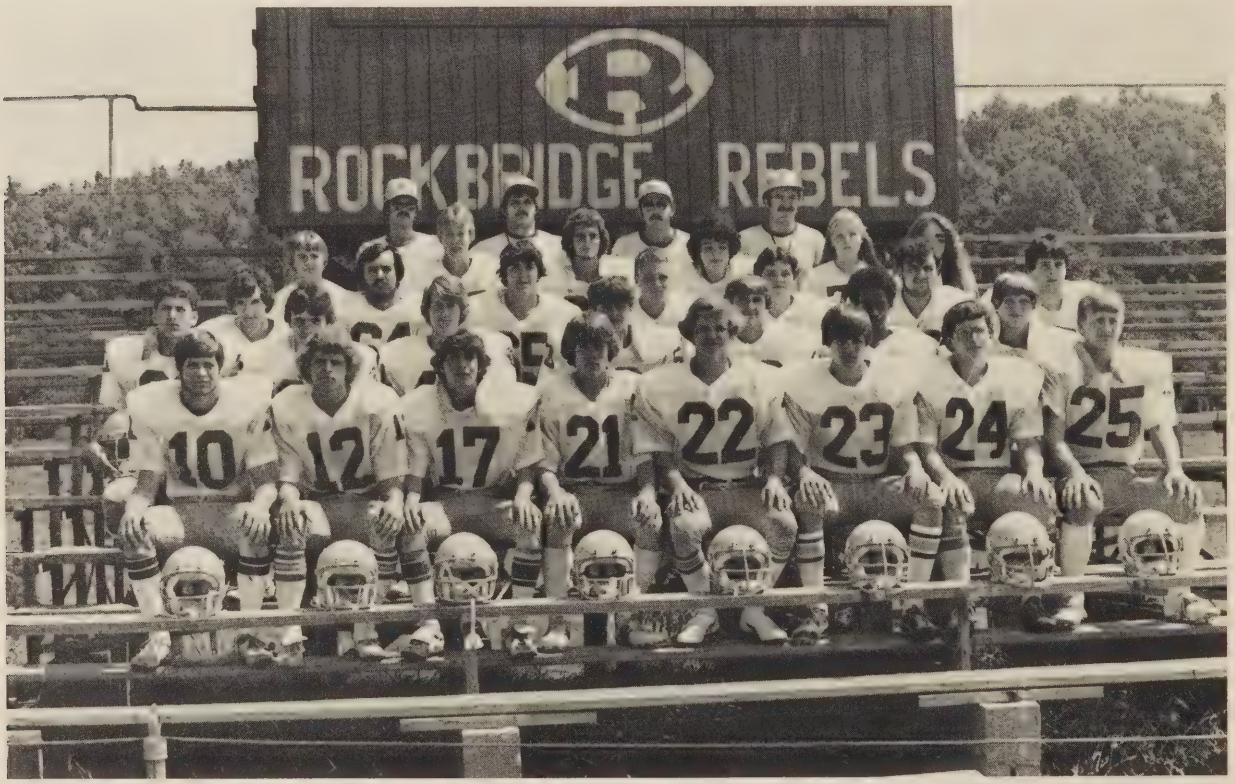
At the beginning of the school year no one was sure what kind of season the Rockbridge Rebels would have, especially the players and coaches. But one thing they were sure of was hard work and team effort.

The coaches for the 1980-1981 season were Gary Cuccio — head coach, Victor Spotts, Ron Loy, and David Wade. They did an excellent job as coaches and gave the team a lot of experience in football.

The team had something new this year. Along with Mike Bowen as one of the football managers, the team had two girls as football managers. They were Lisa Breedlove and Tammy Sensabaugh. All three did an excellent job for the 1980-1981 football team.

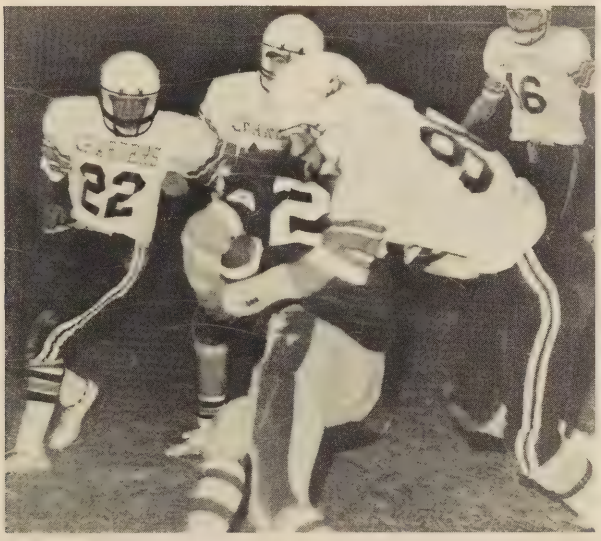
Even though the Rebels had only 2 wins and 8 loses, they never once gave up and always had team spirit.

No one is sure what kind of season the Rockbridge Rebels will have in future years, but by working together and always having pride in what they are doing, the Rebels will once again be on top.



Front Row, left to right: Corey Cox, Stan Troxell, Terry Thomas, Courtney Campbell, Johnny Davis, Bobby Guthrie, Randy Chittum, Darren Floyd Second Row: Bucky Clark, Carl Higgins, John Hart, Tony Taylor, Steve Chittum, Darrell Eldridge, Robert Pooley Third Row: Jody Clevenger, Junior Jack, Mike Reese, Kenny Hartless, Darrell Justice, David Southers, Randall Floyd Fourth Row: Trainer Mike Bowen, Hugh Bolen, Kimball Farris, Paul Mays, Manager Lisa Breedlove, Manager Tammy Sensabaugh Back Row: Coaches David Wade, Ron Loy, Victor Spotts, Gary Cuccio

Corey Cox gets off a fast one to Carl Higgins



"Where did the Rebels go?!?"

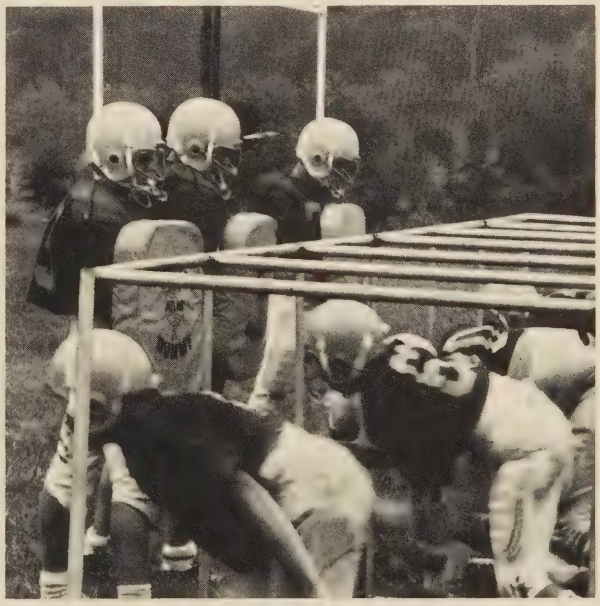
And you wondered what Football Managers did every day!?!

Stan Troxell and Randall Floyd, our two players who made it to All-County

Varsity Football Schedule

Sept. 5	Clifton Forge	Away
Sept. 12	Lexington	Home
Sept. 19	Natural Bridge	Away
Sept. 26	Bath County	Home*
Oct. 3	Page County	Away
Oct. 10	James River	Away
Oct. 17	Parry McCluer	Home
Oct. 24	Riverheads	Away
Nov. 1	New Castle	Home
Nov. 7	Shawsville	Home

*Homecoming



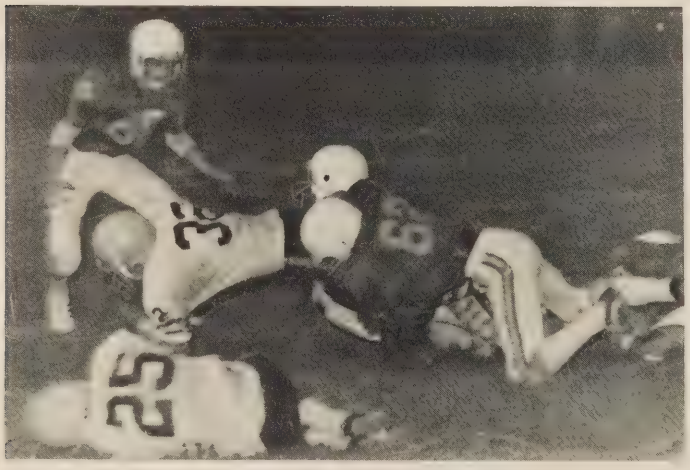
"Look, ya'll, they're letting them out of the cage!!"

Junior Varsity Football

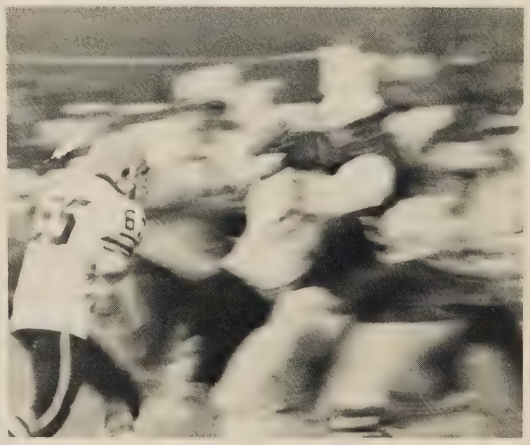
From Left to Right Front Row: Danny Moore, Timmy Humphries, Mark MacGregor, Curt Lawhorn, Greg Smith, Tony Teague, Darron Tomlin, R.L. Staton Row 2: Jeff Matteson, Dennis Thorne, Todd Hostetter, Stuart Fitzgerald, Jimmy Shanks, Bobby Clemmer Row 3: Bobby Lynn, Clay Burch, Doug Seaman, Kenneth Bowyer, Eddie Edwards, Bobby Chittum Row 4: Dennis Taylor, Joey Lynn Back Row: Coach Vic Spotts, Coach David Wade, Coach Ron Loy

Stick together, Boys! We'll make it!

What's that!



Let's Go!!!



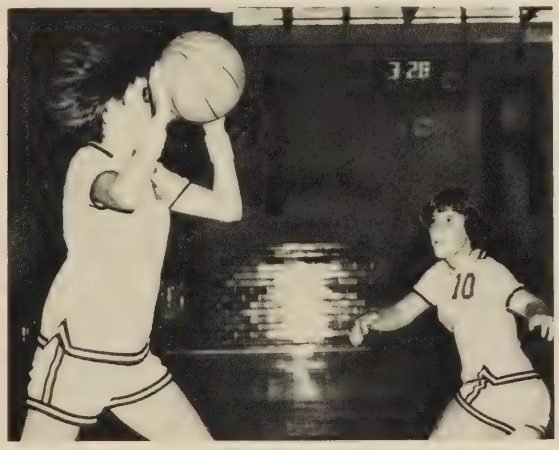
Faster than a speeding bullet!

Girls' Junior Varsity Basketball

Front Row: Angie Hockman, Patti Higgins, Stella Reid, Kay Tomlin, Becky Brown Back Row: Anna Hall, Laurie Staton, Lisa Cullen, Karen McDonald, Jill Sorrells, Beth Henry, Melissa Plogger, Coach Pat Gregory

All those in favor, raise your hands.

Come back here.



A new dance — twist and catch.

Melissa gives instructions on how to play in the dark.

Front Row: Carla Ramsey, Tammy Staton, Alice Cline, Angela Poole, Coach Bobby Smith Back Row: Sarah Dunlap, Natalie Page, Theresa Clark, Patti MacGregor

Lady Rebels Go To Regionals!

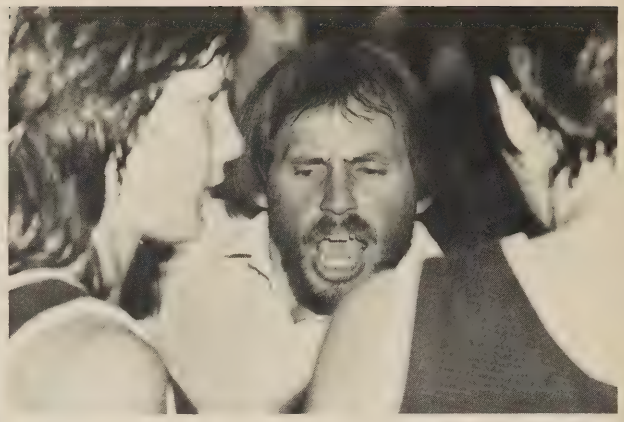
The 1980-81 Lady Rebel Basketball team ended the regular season with a 9-5 district record. This gave them a good position going into the tournament. After easily defeating James River in the first round of tournament play, the Lady Rebels took on the highly talented team from Natural Bridge. In one of the finest basketball displays of the year, the Rebels defeated the Rockets in an exciting and high scoring game of 70-61.

In the regional tournament, the successful season of the team came to an end with a loss to a very tough team from George Washington Carver. The team was led by the scoring of Tami Staton with 13 points per game and Natalie Page with nine rebounds and nine points per game. The all around play of all district and all Rockbridge tournament player Patti MacGregor added to the overall team balance of the squad.

The team will miss Carla Ramsey and Patti MacGregor next year as they have been Rebel starters for all four years of their high school careers and both have received All District recognition. During those four years the Rebels had a district record of 35 wins, 19 losses, went to the finals of the tournament two times and to the regionals one time.

Terry Staton and Penny Clark will also be missed as they went from statistics keepers to ball players in the middle of the season to help the team out during some hard times caused by injuries.

Congratulations go to the Lady Rebels of 1980-81 for being one of the most successful basketball teams to represent Rockbridge High School.



Mr. Smith, control yourself!

"When will this game ever end?"

Oh no! Not again!

The Girls Basket team's better side.

Alley fights for the ball.

"Hurry up ball!!"

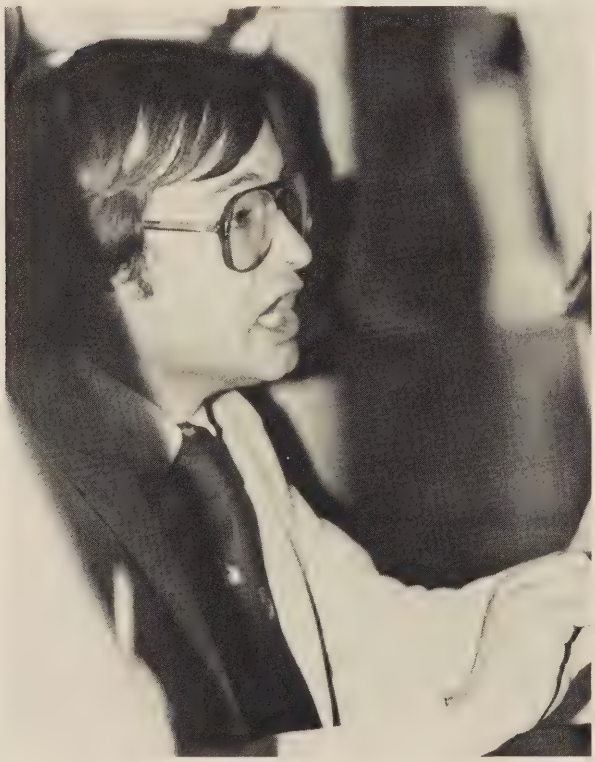
Carla shoots for two!

Where's Sampson when you need him?

Theresa fights to get up.

Boys' Varsity Basketball

Jimmy Clemmer (Cpt.), Harry Moore, Corey Cox, Randy Plogger, Danny Moore, Coach Preston Mitchell, Mark Hill, Doug Mayo, Bobby Guthrie, David Harlow (Cpt.), Mike Bowen.



Coach Mitchell blurts out his familiar phrase "Come on Son!"

The 1980-1981 edition of Rebel Basketball was a trying and frustrating experience. New coach, Preston Mitchell, and assistant coach, Reggie Webb, inherited no returning starters and only two lettermen from last year's squad that went 10-11. The two lettermen, Jimmy Clemmer and David Harlow, captained, the ball club and anchored the backcourt. They were joined in the front court by Danny Moore, Mark Hill and Bobby Guthrie. Other squad members included Harry Moore, Doug Mayo, Randy Plogger, and Mike Bowen.

The inexperience of the team showed itself early in the year as the Rebels found it difficult to stay in the ball game with most opponents. After nine consecutive losses, the upset of the year took place January 23 when the Rebs shocked the number 1 ranked James River Knights 44-42. From that game on, the Rebels were much more competative, and posted their second win in the last game against New Castle. Overall the Rebels were 2-17, 2-12 in the Pioneer District, in a tie for 7th place. Mark Hill led in scoring and rebounding with Danny Moore second in both categories. Mark also landed all Christmas Tournaments and all District Laurels. David Harlow led the club in steals.

Hope looms in the future however as Coach Richard Whitesell's junior varsity experience their best season in years going 7-9 with a team comprised mostly of freshmen.

Overwhelmed Rebel fans congratulate players on a superb victory over the James River Knights.

Jump, Mark, jump!

Sheer Energy!

Boys' Junior Varsity Basketball

Front Row: R.L. Staton, Johnny Davis, Bobby Clemmer, Timmy Humphries, John Fresh, Joey Lynn Back Row: Troy Chaplin, John Hart, Courtney Campbell, Jeff Matteson, Tony Teague, Coach Richard Whitesell

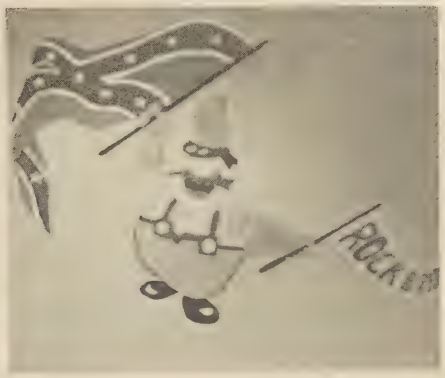
"Listen up guys."

Junior Varsity Volleyball

Front Row: Karen McDonald, Dawn Thompson, Sharon Newcomer, Alice Cline, Karen Burch, Melissa Plogger, Melanie Walker Back Row: Judy Moore, Cindy Clark, Linda Biggs, Forrest Ogle, Beth Henry, Mary Biggs, Judy Arehart, Coach Bobby Smith

"What do you mean, I'm no good??

Melissa reveals her plan of attack.



Varsity Volleyball

Kneeling: Natalie Page, Lisa Wilhelm, Cindy Moore, Patti MacGregor, Jill Sorrells, Faye Alestock Standing: Berta Hart, Cathy Pennington, Tamela Clements, Angel Poole, Kay Tomlin, Penny Clark, Coach Pat Gregory

All-District players: Cathy Pennington, Jill Sorrells, Angel Poole

January found the Volleyball team practicing in the gym. Coach Pat Gregory was pushing the girls hard and trying to mold a championship team. The long hours of practice and the honing of the bodies into top physical condition was to pay off handily in March.

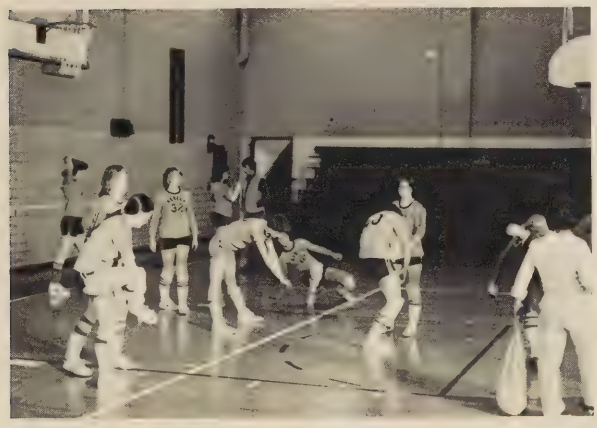
The team was led by Angel Poole, Jill Sorrells and Cathy Pennington, who were named All-District. The season opened with wins over Parry McCluer, lexington, Natural Bridge and Riverheads. Traveling to James River, the team suffered their first loss of the year. This was a night to remember as it was to be the only loss of the team in their march to the district title and state championships.

Due to their success, large crowds were in attendance at all home matches. Coach Pat Gregory said "the support of the fans was, in a large measure, the reason for the high caliber of play exhibited by the team."

The Lady Rebel Volleyball team for 1980-1981 season was the best seen from Rockbridge in many years, as they continued their season to the state finals, leaving victorious. Many Senior members will be sorely missed, but they will leave behind a strong team for the future.

Do WHAT with the ball?!?!

Spike it Cathy!



Getting ready for the big ball game

WE DID IT!!!!

Regional Volleyball Champs!!!

Boys Track

Date		
March 25	Rockbridge 37	Riverheads 99
March 31	Rockbridge 41	VSD 93
April 1	Rockbridge 54	Clifton Forge 81
April 8	Rockbridge 43	Parry McCluer 87
April 10	Rockbridge 93	Shawsville 42
April 23	Rokcbridge 58	Natural Bridge 78
April 27	Rockbridge 33	James River 103

Boys Track

1 — Steve Chittum, Courtney Campbell, Mike Bowen, Jeff Lawhorn, Randy Chittum, Paul Mundy, Stan Troxell 2 — Mark MacGregor, Robert Pooley, Mike Reese, Carl Higgins, Joey Lotts, Joe Moyers, Tate Anderson 3 — Darren Floyd, Jimmy Clark, Danny Moore, Jeff Rankin, Ed Edwards, Kimbal Farris, Darrell Eldridge, Ron Weeks

Girls Track Goes Undefeated

The Girls Track team came into the 1981 season with three District championships under their belts and what looked to be a clear path to the fourth.

The regular season convinced all doubters. The Lady Rebels crushed every opponent they met and ended the regular season with six wins and no losses.

But at the District meet, the Rebels were edged out by a fired up Riverheads team by a score of 126 to 124. The Lady Rebels came back, however, at the Regional meet, beating out Riverheads and almost every other team to place fourth in team scoring. Angel Poole placed first in the hurdles and set a new Regional record. Ann Ayers placed third in the long jump, while Beth Henry placed third in the two mile. Both Kim Hall and Beth Johnson were double winners in their events, while the 880 and mile relays both placed in the top six.

Finally at the state track meet, Kim Hall came in a double winner again, placing fifth in the discus and sixth in the shot. Angel Poole placed fifth in the hurdles and Beth Henry placed a surprising sixth in the two mile.

Eight new school records were set this year. The team was led by co-captains Barbara Glatt and Terry Staton. Mickey Chambers is the coach for the girls track team.

Front Row, L-R: Beth Johnson, Co-Capt. Barbara Glatt, Co-Capt. Terry Staton, Alice Cline, Kim McCray, Jennie Cornish Second Row, L-R: Patti MacGregor, Beth Henry, Natalie Page, Sarah Dunlap, Ann Ayers, Sharon Clark, Christine Hart Third Row, L-R: Asst. Coach Gregory, Terry Hart, Francis Chittum, Kim Hall, Corinna Riley, Coach Chambers

New School Records

Kim Hall — shot — new record — 33'2"
Kim Hall — Discus — new record — 106'9"
Ann Ayers — Long Jump — New Record — 16'2"
Terry Staton, Tami Staton — Ann Ayers, Angel Poole — 880 Relay — New Record — 1:55.2
Sarah Dunlap, Alice Cline, Barbara Glatt, Patti MacGregor — Mile Relay — 4:34.2
Terry Staton, Angel Poole, Tami Staton, Barabara Glatt — 440 Relay — 55.6
Beth Henry — 2 Mile — New Record — 12:55

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Tennis

The Rockbridge High School boy's Tennis team ended their regular 1980-1981 season with a 7-1 record. This gave them the Pioneer District Championship. As winners of the Pioneer District, the Rebels advanced to the Region C team tournament which was held at Washington and Lee University.

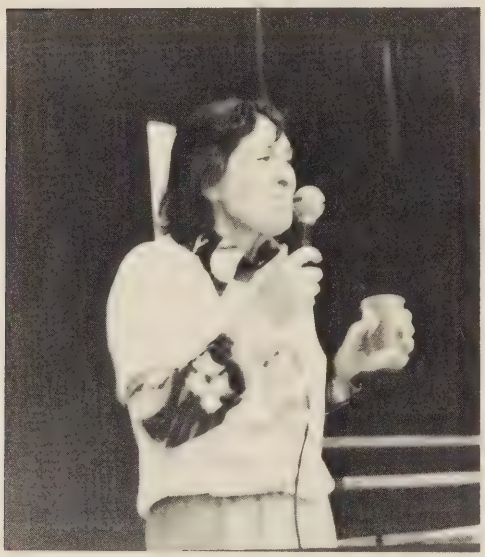
Despite a fine effort, the Rebels fell to Drewery Mason to take the runner-up position for Region III. The boy's team consisted of David Stuart, Mike Wilmore, Koss Mitchell, Tommy Lackey, Greg Lunsford and David Wilhelm. The team was coached by Preston Mitchell. David Stuart and Tommy Lackey were number one singles for the Rebels and runner-ups in the District. Graduation, as always, meant the loss of some players, but the team will have a strong start for the next season with four returning lettermen.

The girls tennis team didn't finish with as much flare as the boys team, but this wasn't unexpected as this year was mainly a learning experience. Many of the girls were on the team for the first time. However, the girls look forward to a more successful season next year, with returning players to support the new players.

Girls' Tennis First Row, L-R: Janice Hill, Diana Driver, Linda Biggs, Connir Newcomer Second Row, L-R: Sharon Newcomer, Lisa Wilhelm, Coach Burns

Boys' Tennis First Row, L-R: John Matheny, David Wilhelm, Coach Mitchell, Mike Wilmore, Tommy Lackey Second Row, L-R: Greg Lunsford, Scott Cullen, Koss Mitchell, David Stuart

1981
Jump-A-Thon



Varsity Baseball

Bottom Row — Corey Cox, Johnny Davis, Timmy Humpheries, Troy Chaplin, Tony Teague, Terry Thomas, Jimmy Clemmer
Top Row — John Shields, Ronald Weeks, Stacy Taylor, R.L. Staton, Darren Potter, Bobby Clemmer, Vincent Clements, Coach Jerry Mace.

Powder Puff

It was a cool May evening, Fans dotted the bleachers as the announcers primed the loud speaker. Suddenly, a flurry of activity was seen near the boys locker room, and out marched the 1981 girls powder puff players.

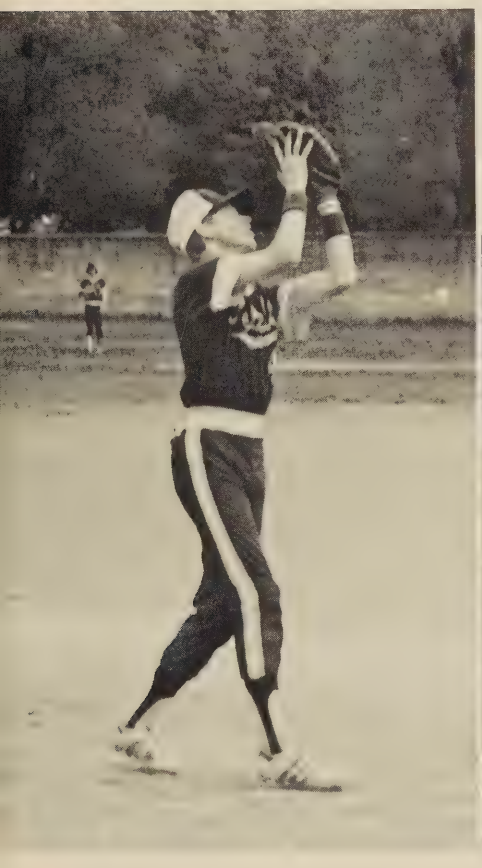
For the next sixty minutes, sugar and spice were forgotten as girls from the Senior-Freshman squad battled it out against the Junior-Sophomore team. Friendships disappeared as members of the teams blocked, passed and punted their hardest.

The final outcome left both teams exhilarated, as the Junior-Sophomore team left victorous and the Senior-Freshman team left knowing that they played a tough game. For the Seniors, RHS powder puff will only hold memories, but for the underclassmen, powder puff holds promise for revenge and rematch.

Patti slips by Junie.

J.V. Baseball

Coach Victor Spotts and the 1981 Junior Varsity Baseball team of Rockbridge Rebels.



Varsity Cheerleaders

The 1980-1981 Varsity Cheerleading squad had a very hectic, rewarding year.

In addition to cheering three nights a week almost consistently from August until February, the varsity squad somehow found time to plan the various activities during the week of Homecoming, such as Farmer's Day, Sock Day, 50's day, Costume Day and Blue and Gold Day. They also provided much amusement on the day of the game by planning and participating in "Mock Homecoming." The squad dressed up in the entire football team uniforms, while some members of the football team were seen in short skirts, bobby socks & rugby sweaters.

During the month of November, orders were taken for football jerseies The squad also sold Megaphones. Enough money was raised to make it possible for them to purchase badly needed shirts.

The County Tournaments were held shortly after Christmas which gave the cheerleaders a chance to show off their new stunts and to exchange gifts.

If things slackened slightly in January, they were more than made up for during February.

A "Pretty Leg Contest" was staged for the boys basketball teams and was a total success.

The month was also devoted to practicing their new pom-pom routine which was performed to the song "Celebration." It took many long hours for both their instructors and the members of the squad but the overwhelming response of the fans and the praise of their teachers and peers, than compensated.

1980-81 Varsity Cheerleaders Front: Barbara Glatt, Linda Wilhelm Back: Patricia Fox, Junie Funkhouser, Gail Heslep, Terry Hart, Tammy Camper, Sharon Reid

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BRIDGE HIGH

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J.V. Cheerleading

The J.V. Cheerleaders worked hard practicing and cheering to make this season a success! It all started during the summer with practices at the homes of some of the cheerleaders. They practiced and worked hard learning new cheers and going over the old ones. As a fund raising project they sold corsages for the Homecoming dance and game. At times during the year, the J.V. Cheerleaders filled in for the Varsity Cheerleaders when they were unable to attend a game. Judy Bare served as the J.V. Cheerleading Sponsor. Many of the J.V. Cheerleaders will look forward to cheering on the Varsity squad, while others stay behind to provide the "backbone" for a young JV squad.

Donkey Basketball

SCA

Lots of hard work and determination went into the SCA of 1980-1981. With Randy Chittum as president, Missy Fulwider as vice-president, Kim McCray as secretary and Eddie Maass as treasurer, the organization was predestined to do great things. Homeroom representative elections sealed the success of the Student Co-Operative Association of 80-81.

The major project of the Fall, was a mock Presidential election. This was conjunction with the government classes, as Mr. Cuccio aided in procuring speakers from W & L. On the whole, it was a complete success as Seniors and underclassmen alike were informed of the issues of the election. Ronald Reagan came out the winner in both the student and faculty elections.

Club officers met with members of the area high schools and Mr. Jay in order to discuss school issues and suggestions to make the schools better. Officers eagerly awaited the one afternoon a month when they went "to forum".

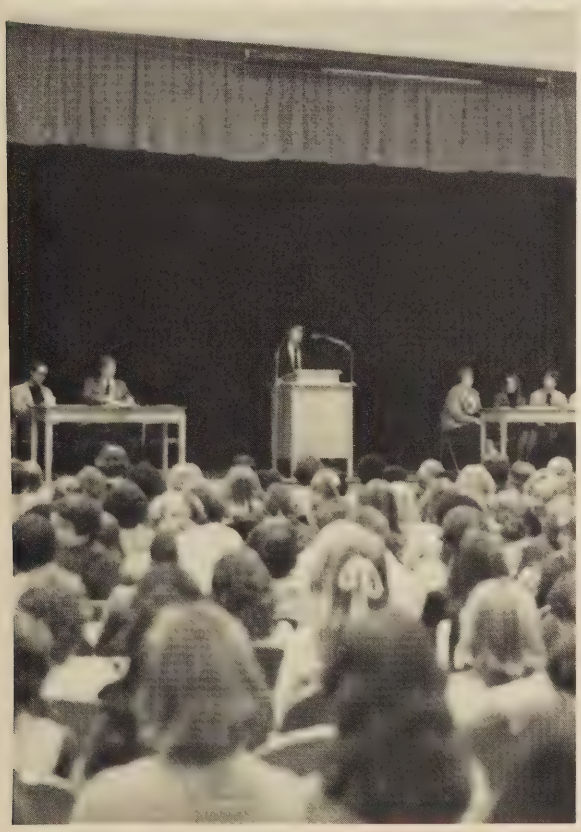
Following suggestions from a spring meeting, a "Joke of the Week" contest was initiated. Students and faculty alike enjoyed the censored jokes that were read over the PA on Friday mornings. You never knew what Friday would bring as John Maass read the long awaited joke.

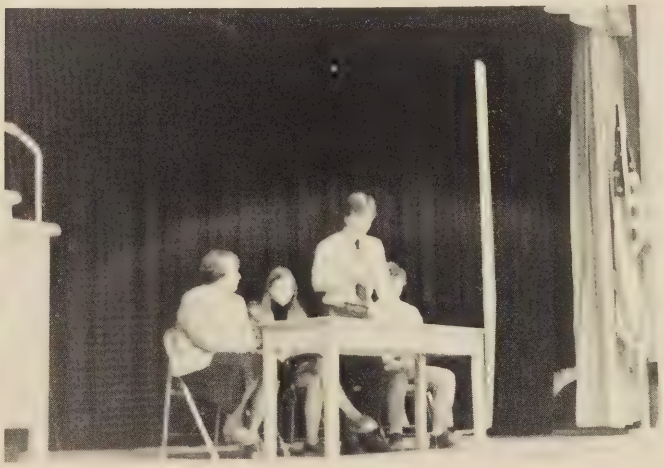
The final activity of the year was sad, as the outgoing officers has to begin elections for incoming officers. In spite of the sadness, the SCA of 80-81 could look back with fond memories and a satisfied smile for a job well done.

ICC

The ICC, under the direction of sponsor Carrie Irvine, President Missy Fulwider, and Secretary Kim McCray, approved many activities for the school year. ICC means Inter Club Council, and in this capacity approves or disapproves activities within the school.

Endless stacks of form for sock-hops, bake sales and candy sales littered Mrs. Irvine's desk each month as the club met. As the year wore on, it was found that there was often a sock-hop every weekend, and to Missy Fulwider's horror, sometimes two! But these problems were worked out, and every effort was made to smooth ruffled feathers and provide all of the clubs an opportunity to raise money. No one "got rich", but most of the wants were supplied.





National Honor Society

Spring Inductees Left to Right — Timmy Clark, Donna Pultz, David Burke, Terry Hart

The 1980-1981 National Honor Society experienced a busy year. Officers David Stuart, Scott Cullen, Tammy Camper and Kim Hall, and sponsor Ramona Topping found out early that the one event that club members had looked forward to had to be cancelled. This was the annual trip to Roanoke to participate in "Klassroom Kwiz", which was found to be impossible as the show's format had been changed. Undaunted, the club pressed forward and planned their own quiz program to be presented to the student body. The top three Seniors squared off against the top three Juniors in a three-round showdown. When the smoke had cleared, the Juniors emerged victorious, with a reward of going to lunch first.

The Society lost its sponsor in the Spring due to the impending arrival of her first child. Kitty Sandy stepped in and did a very competent job of advising the club. Fourteen new members were inducted during the year, and it is sure that many more will be added in the coming year.

Old Members 1st Row — Treasurer, Kim Hall, Secretary Tammy Camper, V. President Scott Cullen, President David Stuart 2nd Row — Lisa Wilhelm, Gail Heslep, Tami Poole, Martha Moore, Kim McCray, Mrs. Topping 3rd Row — Lisa Breedlove, Terry Staton, Linda Wilhelm, Tim Whitesell, Nancy Fitzgerald, Kristy Higgenbotham, Cathy Pennington, Kevin Ham

Pultz, Corinna Riley, Lisa

Fall Inductees Left to Right — John Maass, Tommy Lackey, Greg Lunsford, Jennie Cornish, Jennifer Jarvis, Linda Biggs, Ed Maass, Courtney Campbell

Concert Band

Concert Band always starts off with auditions! Auditions! Auditions! After the results and everyone gets settled, then preparation for the first concert of the year, the Christmas Concert. The Christmas Concert was held December 17 with the Browsburg Band.

Some people in the band auditioned for All County Band and eleven people made it! On clariet R.H.S. had Lisa Lawhorn (2nd chair) and Tommy Lackey (7th chair). On trumpet was Patti MacGregor (7th chair), Robin Thompson (12th chair) and Sharon Newcomer (13th chair). On Jennie Cornish (7th chair). On tubawas Linda Biggs (3rd chair). On timpani was Jeff Mason. On trombone was Rebecca Riley (1st chair!) and Lisa Burke (4th chair). And last but not least, on Oboe was Karen McDonald (1st chair). All County Band was held at Lexington High School.

This year R.H.S. had a student make Synphonic Band at All Regional Band! Lisa Lawhorne made 23rd chair. All Regional Band was held at Bridgewater College.

This year three people went to Sols and Ensemble. Karen McDonald played grade 3 music and received a rating of superior. Rebecca Riley played grade 4 music and received a rating of superior also. Lisa Burke played grade 3 music and received a rating of excellent.

Festival was held at Stuarts Draft High School. The R.H.S. Band played grade 3 music and received a rating of excellent.

Spring Concert was held at R.H.S. on May 7th.

All in all it was a good year of hard work, but alot of fun.

Marching Band

Rebuilding was the theme set by the Marching Rebels of 1980-1981. With a new band director and a new drum major, the band marched out for their first game in snazzy blue and gold uniforms, full of spirit and hope for a successful year.

Preparation for that first game was a band camp held in August. Members worked hard during the cool evenings to perfect their art. This work paid off, as the new half-time shows inspired the enthusiastic football crowds. A Pink Panther costume added to the fun, especially since Senior Charlie Fauber filled it! Senior Lisa Wilhelm donned a raincoat and admirably played the part of Inspector Klousso. Both characters were real "characters".

An added extra for the band this year was a trip to West Virginia to participate in Concord College's Band Day. The Marching Rebels received an "Excellent" rating for their performance, and went on to participate in the grand finale: a mass band performance of over one thousand students. This was indeed an experience.

The Marching Rebels lost several seniors due to Graduation. These were Lisa Wilhelm, Kay Dedrick, Charlie Fauber, Lisa Lawhorne, and Scott Cullen. They will be missed, but their places will be filled by fresh new talents as the Marching Rebels gear up for 1981-1982.

Choir and Girls' Chorus

Practice began early for the Christmas Concert, which was the first concert of the year. Familiar caroles and a few new songs comprised the program. The finale was a sing-a-long, inviting the audience to participate in a few traditional tunes.

All-Regional Chorus was the next thought on everyones mind. Try-outs and the concert were held at Handley High School in Winchester. Lisa Lawhorne and Greg Lunsford were chosen to join the other members in song.

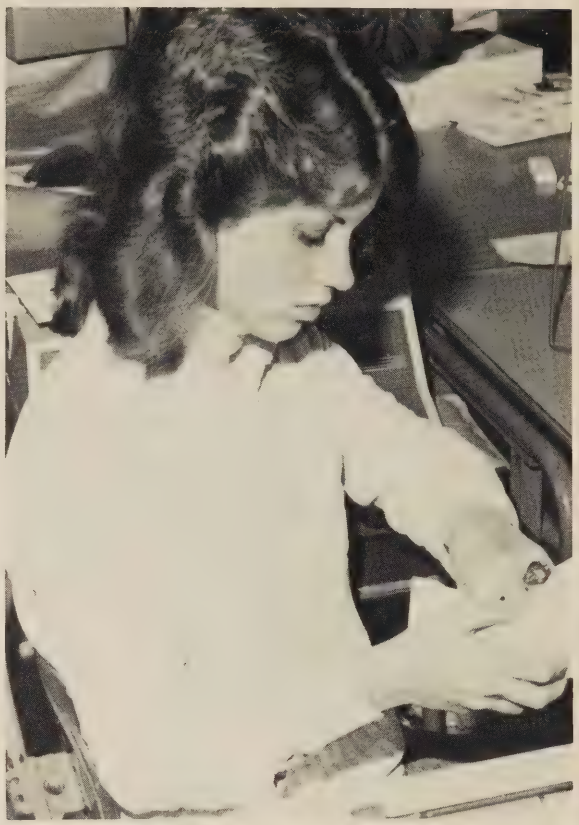
A fund raising activity enjoyed by the whole school was "Hat Day". Permits were sold for a quarter, and participants lined up in front of the volunteer judges to see who had the best hat in each category. Prizes were donated by area merchants.

Girls' Chorus Row 1 — Melissa Campbell, Susan Hays, Faye Alestock, Lisa Lawhorne Row 2 — Jane Jarvis, Brenda Petty, Carlene Shull, Evelyn Thomas, Ann Ayers Row 3 — Carolyn Jolly, Lisa Lawhorn, Rebecca Brown, Mary Ross, Christine Hart Not Pictured — Kay Tomlin, Judy Moore

Choir Row 1 Diana Driver, Tammy Humphries, Danny Clark, Tony Teague, Troy Chaplin, Kate Goodman, Mary Biggs, Lisa Bryant Row 2 Paula Plogger, Loretta Sorrells, Mickey Stevenson, Joey Lotts, Greg Lunsford Andrew Hite, Kevin Clark, Judy Stevenson, Patricia Ledford, Valerie Hays, Row 3 Kay Dedrick, Sharon Clark, Theresa Clark, Tate Anderson, Larry Snyder Ken Chandler, Melissa Plogger, Jenny Johnson, Connie Newcomer, Jeannette Stevenson

Stop in for Specials!

Future Business Leaders of America



The Future Business Leaders of America was sponsored by Judy Zdinak and Kitty Trimble. They were also under the leadership of President Nancy Fitzgerald; Vice-President Kristy Higginbotham; Secretary Tammy Hamilton; Treasurer Larry Whiting and Reporter Penny Plogger.

The FBLA has been an active school and community organization. In keeping with the tone of being active, they helped the United Way, the Mental Health Clinic, and visited the Senior Citizens of the area. Around Christmas time, with the aid of other students in the school, canned goods, money and toys for the disadvantaged families in the area.

One of the objectives set by the group as a whole was to take a trip together. Money was raised throughout the year to finance a trip to Washington DC in the spring. Money raising projects included car washes, candy sales, dances and many more. All were successful.

During National Vocational Week the FBLA invited interested students in the eighth grade to visit the Business Department. As always, the FBLA encourages those who enjoy hard work along with good times to join the Future Business Leaders of America.

FBLA Bottom Row — John Fresh, Ed Hostetter, Betina Holansworth, Nancy Fitzgerald, Kristy Higginbotham, Tammy Hamilton, Mrs. Judy Zdinak, Mrs. Kitty Trimble, Cindy Clark 2nd — Cindy Moore, Phillip Back, Sheila Reid, Lisa Wilson, Tammy Sensabaugh, Laura Wilson, Kim Groah, Jill Sorrells, Kay Tomlin, Carol King 3rd Row — Kim Thompson, Torsten Toms, Brenda Petty, Janette McNeil, Mary Ross, Dawn Rowsey, Candy Nuckles, Caroline Conner, Paula Plogger, Rhonda Cash 4th Row — Gail Lotts, Susan Hays, Renee Whiting, Melissa Campbell, Dorothea Bingler, Pam Taylor, Gina Marci, Sharon Reid, Kim Grogg, Terry Hart, Lisa Cullen 5th Row — Mike Trimble, Deborah Sensabaugh, Rema Dudley, Regina Tomlin, Jennifer Gentry, Jackie Jarvis, Lewis Clark, David Tomlin, Cathy Pennington, Tammy Poole, Rhonda Falls

YOUR FUTURE IN...
BUSINESS
it works ...for ALL OF US
United Way
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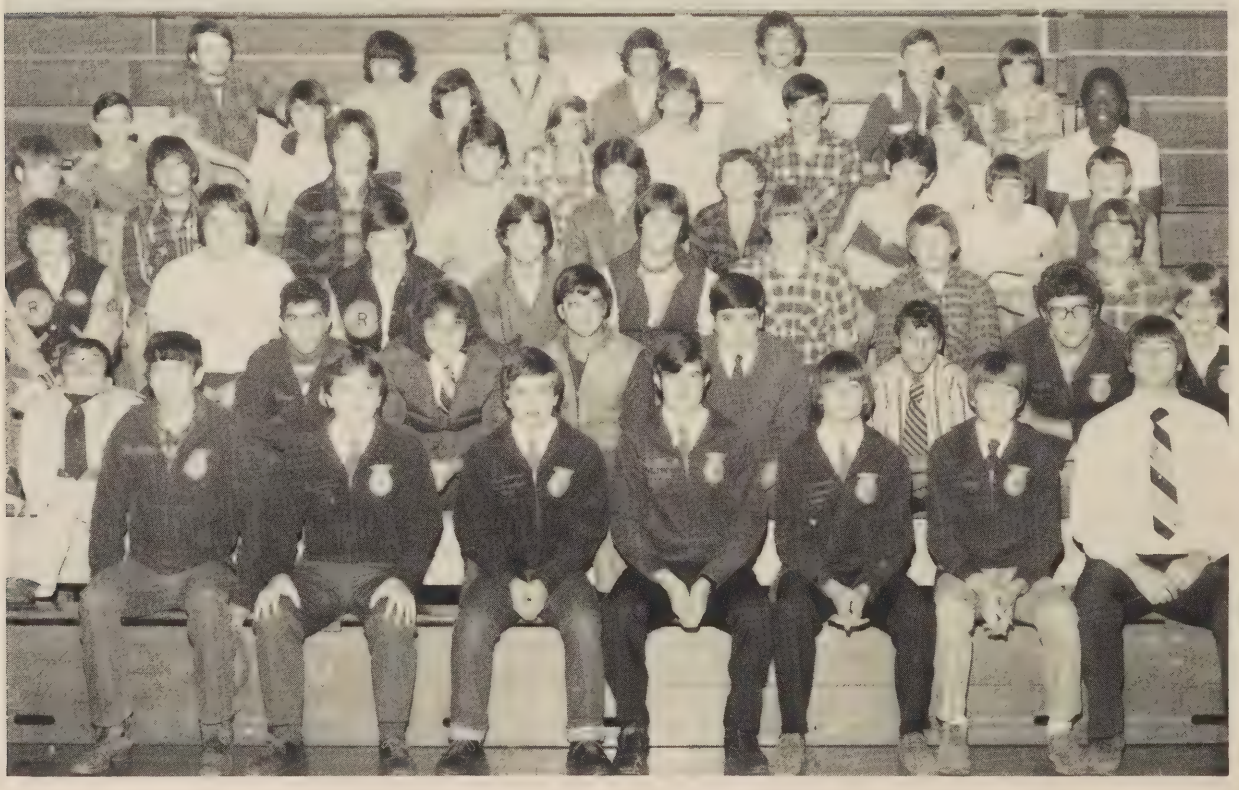
FFA

The Future Farmers of America of America of Rockbridge High conducted many fund raising activities during the 1980-1981 year. The biggest was the annual fruit sale. Oranges, grapefruit, and tangeloes filled the boxes with and added attraction of crock cheese and summer sausage. The sale was an immense success with many satisfied customers. The money was saved to be used for the annual banquet and shop supplies.

A major construction project of the group was a greenhouse. Although work on the project was not completed, final completion in the future will bring a new interest to Rockbridge, horticulture.

The FFA entered a team in the Junior Division of Parliamentary Procedure. This is the procedure used in conducting all FFA meetings. The group came in fourth in the Milbrock Division.

The Annual Banquet was held in May. A buffet style dinner was served to members, parents, and invited guests. New officers for the coming year were installed, and pins were awarded to individual team accomplishments. The banquet was a fitting end to a very successful year.



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Future Homemakers of America

The theme for the Rockbridge High FFA of 1980-1981 was "Fathers, Mothers and Others". This theme was carried out throughout the year through the monthly meetings.

New members were initiated in October. This is always a time of excitement as the club grows. The November meeting was based on the topic of raising children. A panel of parents met and discussed their own personal methods of childrearing, their successes and failures.

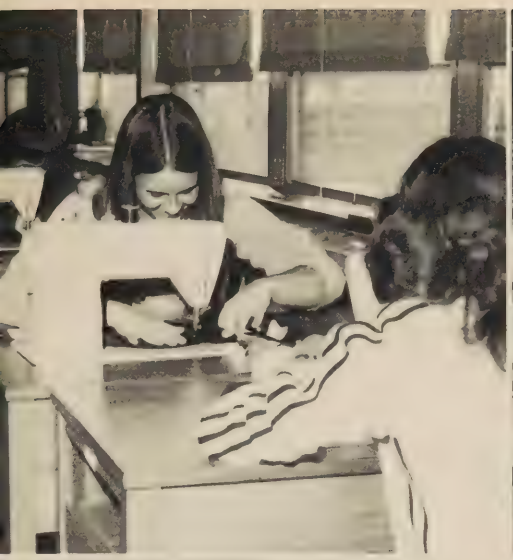
The title of the December meeting was "A Safe Toy Environment". Several different types of toys were examined and discussed in relation to safety. The club met in February to discuss "Safety in the Home". Members learned many noteworthy tips to make their homes safe for everyone.

Club members enjoyed their March meeting. March was "Healthy Baby Month", and so the topic of discussion centered around babies. It is sure that the girls received some excellent advice on this subject. The April meeting was an extension of the March meeting, as members talked about teenage views on parenthood. The general consensus was that although babies are cute, you shouldn't have any until you are in a position to care for them.

The major attraction of the FHA year is the annual banquet, at which Junior and Chapter degrees are bestowed upon deserving members. This years banquet held up the tradition of good food and fellowship, as old and new members alike gathered to celebrate a successful year and toast a fruitful future.

Beth Henry is presented with the outstanding FHA award by Mrs. Whitesell

FHA Left to Right — Melanie Walker, Sheila Reid, Rhonda Falls, Susie Eaken, Kim Groah, Connie Sensabaugh, President Rebecca Riley, Mrs. Joan Whitesell



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Spanish Club

The Rockbridge High Spanish Club activity soared after its second year of reorganization. The club, "Los Toros," named Patti MacGregor President, Patricia Layton Vice President, and Michelle Carter, Secretary-Treasurer.

Los Toros immediately began planning the activities they would have during the 1980-1981 year. The first activity was a sock-hop early in the year to raise money for a Spanish meal. The sock-hop was complete with Spanish tickets and fellowship. Two fine young disc jockies, Scott and Mike, made their break-through into the "big time".

In October, Los Toros held a Spanish Dinner after school for members and special guests. The menu was complete with "Paella valenciana" (chicken, spices and rice), salad, homemade bread, and flan for dessert. Flan is a Spanish pastry. An added extra was the non-alcoholic wine, which provided the diners with that "Spanish feeling".

In spite of all their activities, one major dream still remains in the hearts of all Los Toros — a trip to Mexico! Perhaps through hard work and many hours, future members of the club may realize that dream.

1st — Patricia Layton, Patti MacGregor, Shelley Carter 2nd Row — Donna Pultz, Carole King, Tammy Camper, Martha Moore, Linda Biggs, Amy Snider 3rd Row — John Maass, Ed Maass, Jeff Lawhorne, Mike Bowen, David Pultz, Jossie Hayslett, Missy Fulwider, Alice Cline, Randy Chittum, Mrs. Sandy

The RHS Spanish Club instruct Fairfield Elementary 2nd grade class in Spanish.

Model U.N.

The Model UN kicked off a hectic year in October, attending a workshop at Stuarts Draft High School. They returned to the school two weeks later for a meet with several area high schools. Tommy Lackey and Jennie Cornish won third best delegation and Torsten Toms won second best delegate.

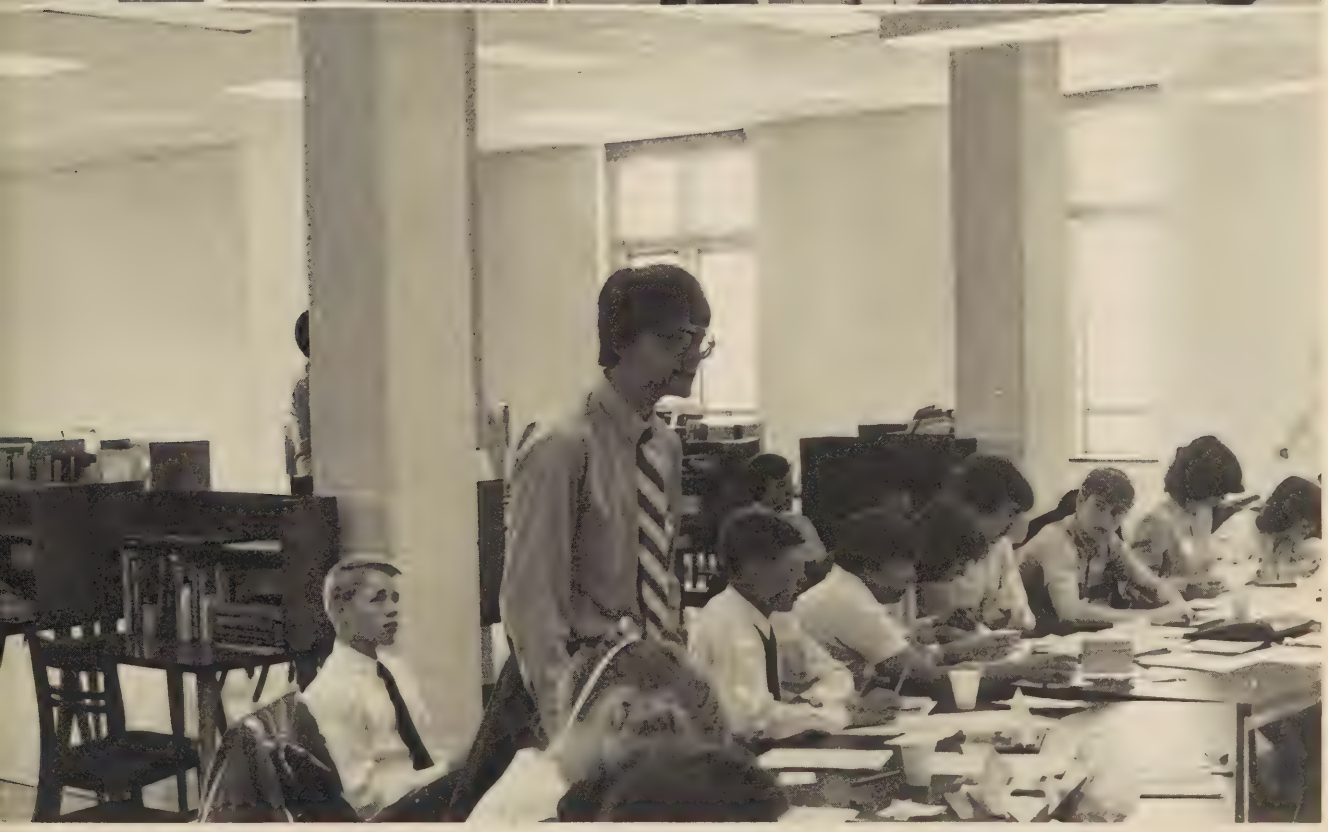
The second meet was at JMU, where they competed against schools from Virginia and North Carolina. The U.S. delegation, composed of Tommy Lackey, Jennie Cornish and Linds Biggs captured the award for second best delegation

Then came the very first Model U.N. meet ever held at Rockbridge. Tracy Henderson from VMI presided and members of the Model U.N. assisted as pages. The event was preceded the night before by a small party in the cafeteria held to welcome the delegations to the school.

The annual meet at VMI was next. Torsten Toms won the Best Delegate award, while Tommy Lackey, Jennie Cornish and Linda Biggs captured the second place delegation award. As soon as that meet was over, the club left for an overnight trip to Statesville, NC, to participate in the North Iredale Model U.N. meet. In competition with schools from Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina, Tommy Lackey, Jennie Cornish and Linda Biggs won the award for best delegation.

A lot of pride is to be found in the accomplishments of the Model U.N. of 1980-1981, and a lot of hope is seen for the coming year.

Front Row, L-R: Mary Biggs, Andrew Logan, Judy Arehart, Torsten Toms, Mike Wilmore, Judy Moore Second Row, L-R: Linds Biggs, Jennie Cornish, Randy Chittum, David Pultz, David Stuart, Jeff Lawhorne, Tommy Lackey, Scott Cullen

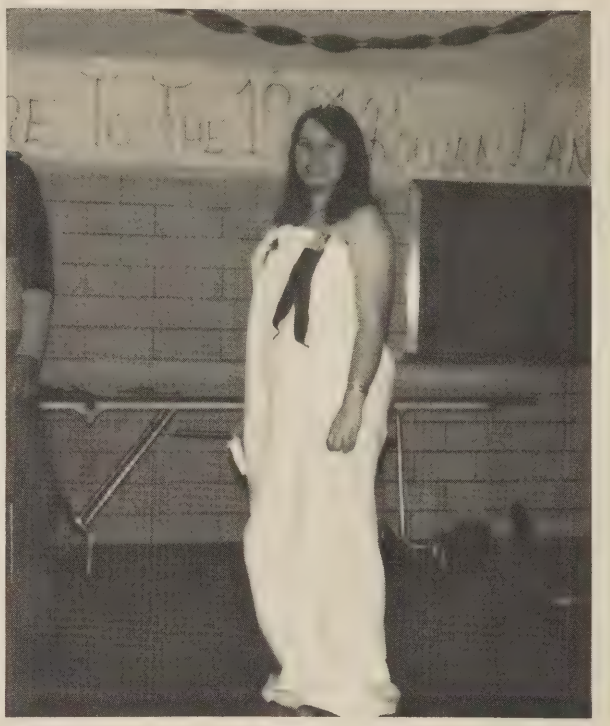


Latin Club

"Little but lively" would best describe the Rockbridge Latin Club. Instead of the annual Slave Sale, the club tried something new by sponsoring a sock-hop for their fund raising project. Proceeds from this were used to treat the patients at the Stonewall Jackson Extended Care Facility on Valentines Day. Elderly patients enjoyed the feast of fruit and cookies as supplied by the members of the club.

Toga-clad members, parents and guests enjoyed the highlight of the year, the annual Roman Banquet. Pizza, salad and home-made desserts were feasted upon by the "citizens", who after were spectators at a real Roman Wedding. Sharon Tolbert and David Franklin were the lucky couple for this.

The Latin Club is set up to provide extra-curricular activities in Latin for students taking the subject and those who have completed two or more years. The club is a member of both the Virginia and National Junior Classical League and as such was able to participate in the state convention. The students enjoys a whole year of combined learning with their sponsor, Mrs. Elizabeth Fauber.



Robin Thompson, Queen for the day

Sitting — Barbara Glatt, Linda Wilhelm, Kim McCray, Standing — Mrs. Fauber, Sharon Tolbert, Marla Hostetter, Jennie Hartless, Rhonda Cash, Chris Coleman, Robin Thompson, Terry Staton, Robert Steelman

1981 Yearbook

The 1981 yearbook staff greatfully acknowledges the excellent salesmanship jobs done by Mrs. Bonnie Clemmer, Kim McCray, and John Bolen. Through their efforts they raised over $2400. This helped pay off the debt which the Yearbook has carried for the past ten years. We sincerely appreciate their efforts.

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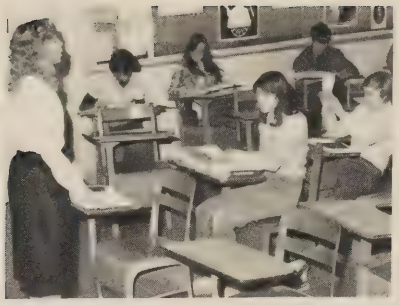

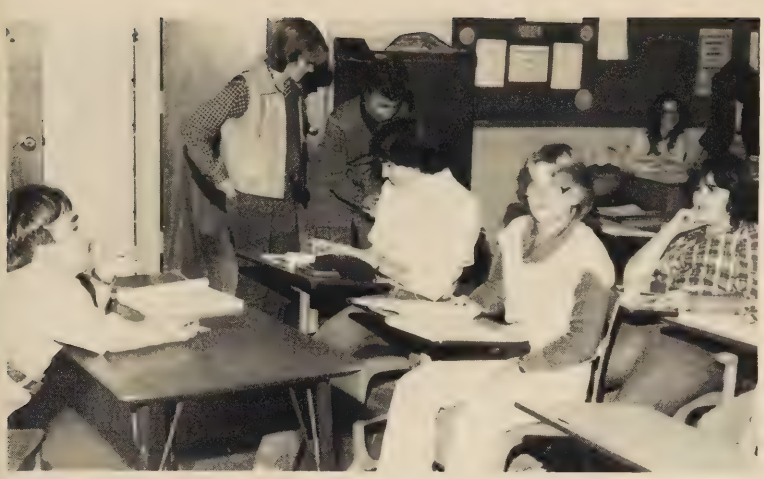

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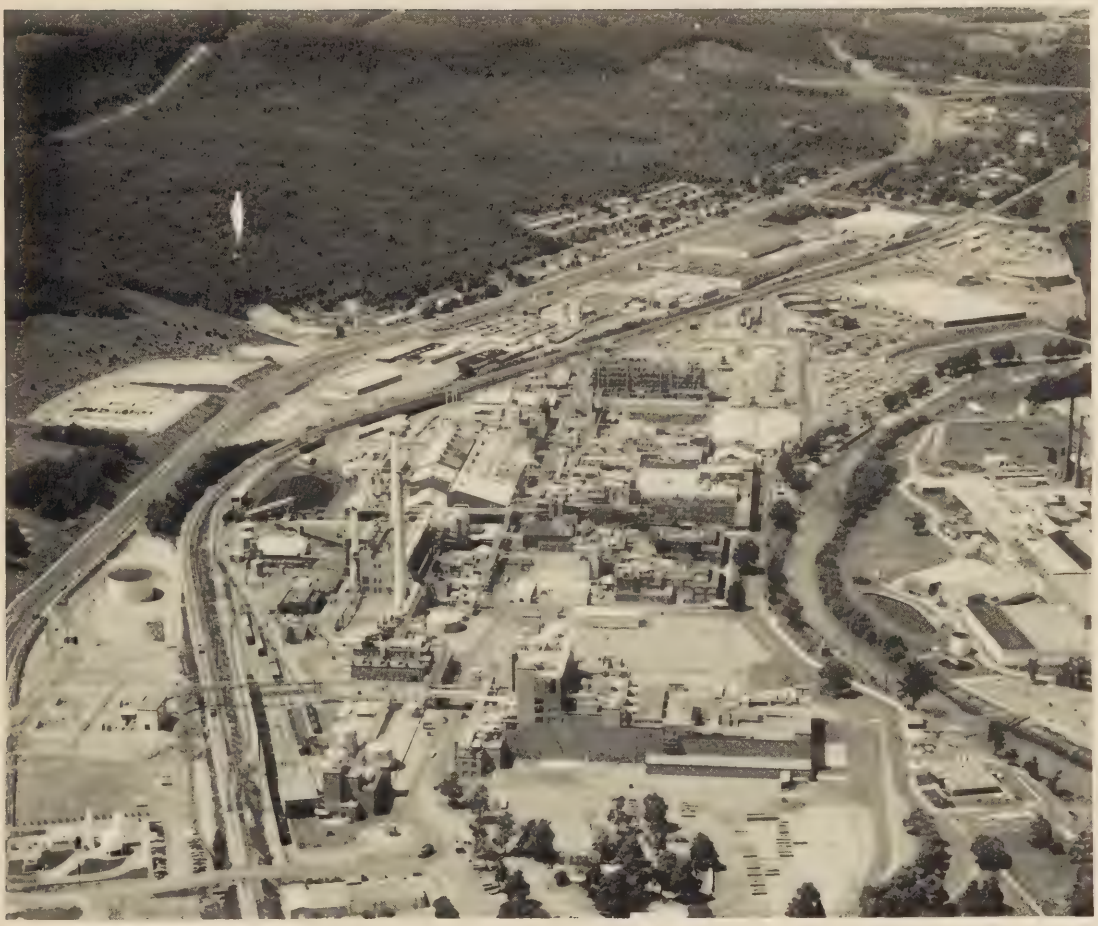

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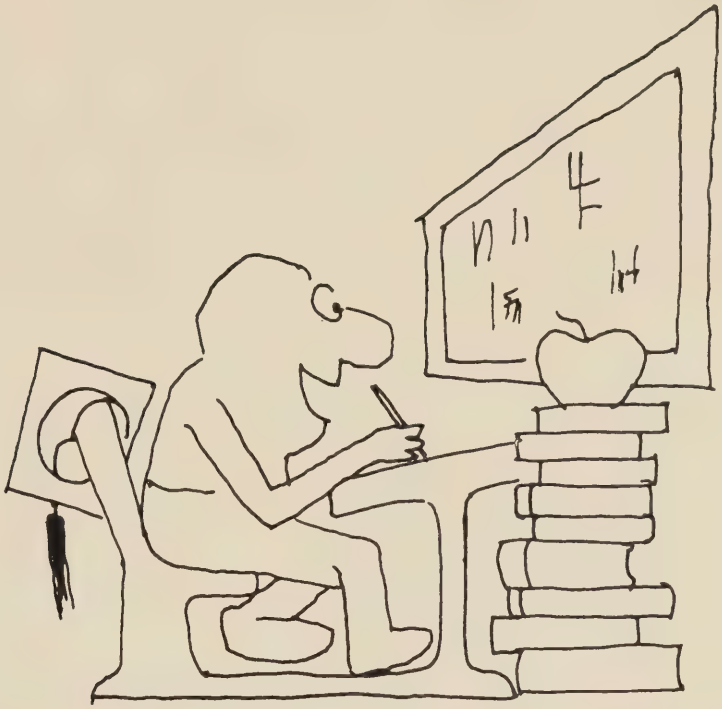

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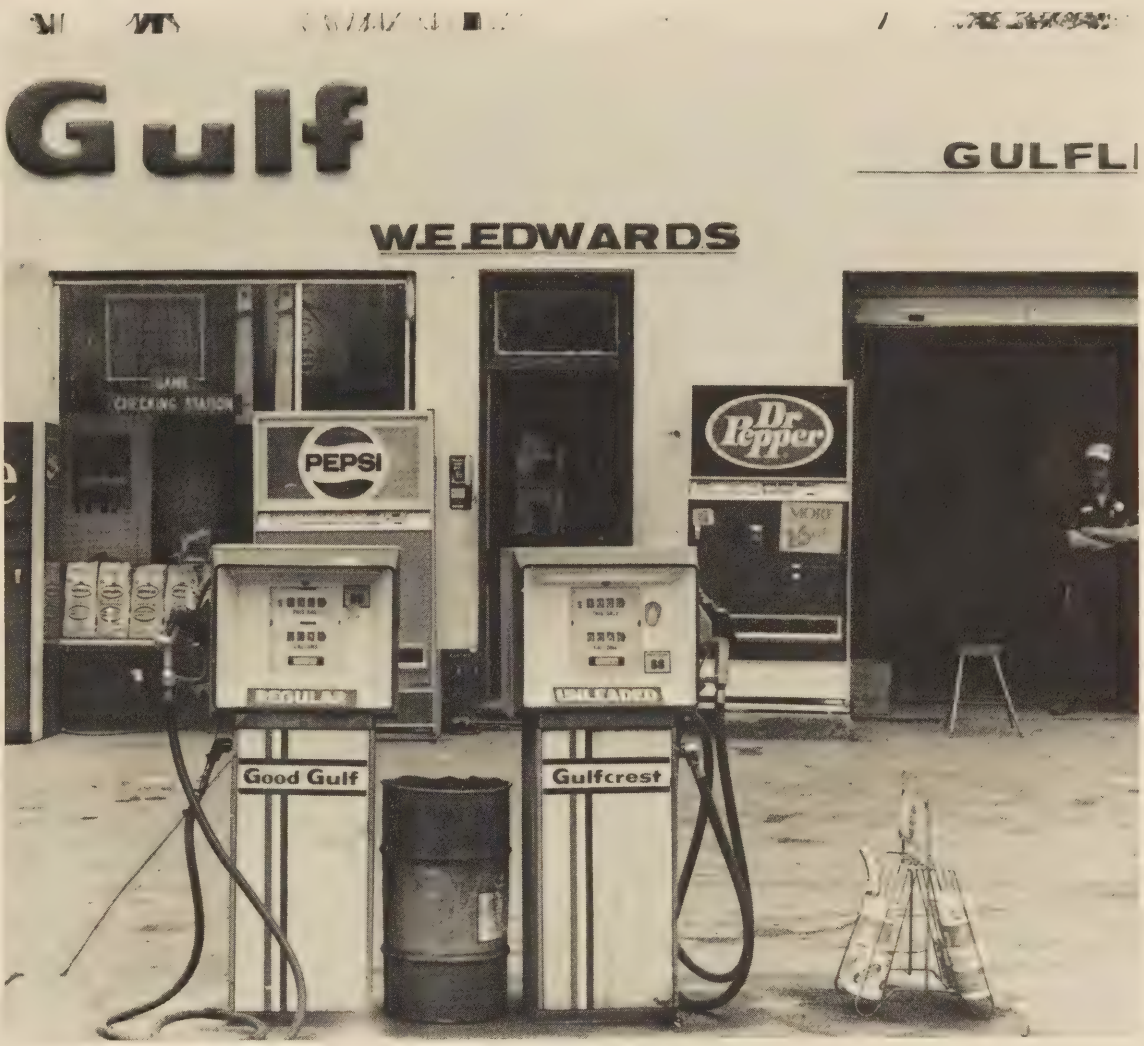

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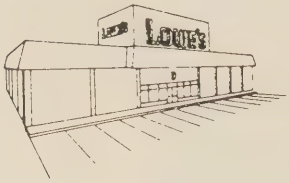

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